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TRAIN HITS CAR DRIVING ON TRACKS IN WAVELAND

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Moss Towing attempts to remove a 2017 Hyundai that had been struck by a train from near Favre Street in Waveland early on Tuesday morning. Police said no injuries were reported. Photo courtesy of Waveland P.D.

Waveland police officers responded to the scene where a car was struck by a train while driving on the tracks early on Tuesday morning, but no major injuries were reported.

Police Chief Mike Prendergast said officers responded to the call at about 2:07 a.m. Tuesday at Favre Street.

“Upon arrival, officers located a 2017 Hyundai in the wooded area near Favre Street and Central Avenue,” Prendergast said in a press release.

“Officers made contact with the driver, Emmanuel Onyia of Garland, Tex.,” Prendergast said. “Mr. Onyia stated that he is not from this area and he somehow drove onto the railroad tracks in the area of where we believe to be Coleman Avenue and travelled westbound. A CSX train was also traveling westbound at the same time.

“The train made contact with the vehicle in the area of Favre Street. The vehicle was hit and pushed approximately 30 yards into the wooded area of the north side of the railroad tracks.”

Prendergast said Waveland Fire Department personnel and EMTs from AMR examined Onyia, “and he had no known injuries due to the accident.”

Railroad traffic was halted for about two hours

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Man who dumped father’s body in a Hancock bayou sentenced to 25 years in prison



Investigators search the water near the Bayou Lacroix bridge in September 2021 for the body of 66-year-old Van Leigh Marske. Echo file photo

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A Biloxi man pled guilty this week to the September 2021 murder of his own father, after which he dumped his body into a Hancock County Bayou.

Circuit Judge Lawrence Bourgeois this week sentenced Noble Van-Leigh Marske, II, to 45 years in

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Diamondhead celebrates groundbreaking for first phase of ‘Town Center’ plan



City, county and state officials on Tuesday celebrated a groundbreaking ceremony for the improved boat launch at Diamondhead’s Noma Drive. Mayor Nancy Depreo foresees the site as the location for the city’s new “Town Center.”

Photo by Geoff Belcher

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

State and county officials joined the city of Diamondhead on Tuesday to celebrate a groundbreaking ceremony for the improved

boat launch at the end of Noma Drive, which Mayor Nancy Depreo said will also be the launching point for the city’s “Town Center” master plan.

“This project has been on the burner since

I was five ...,” Depreo said Monday. “It’s something we’ve been waiting on and waiting

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Today
95°

Low Temperature 76°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 67%

High Tide
08:05 am @ 1.84 ft
Low Tide
07:28 pm @ -0 ft



July 28
96°

Low Temperature 76°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 68%

High Tide
08:45 am @ 2.07 ft
Low Tide
08:14 pm @ -0.2 ft



July 29
96°

Low Temperature 78°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 66%

High Tide
09:34 am @ 2.26 ft
Low Tide
09:06 pm @ -0.33 ft



July 30
92°

Low Temperature 80°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 69%

High Tide
10:27 am @ 2.4 ft
Low Tide
10:01 pm @ -0.39 ft



July 31
97°

Low Temperature 81°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 69%

High Tide
11:20 am @ 2.46 ft
Low Tide
10:56 pm @ -0.36 ft



Aug. 1
93°

Low Temperature 80°F
89% Chance of Rain
Humidity 71%

High Tide
12:12 pm @ 2.4 ft
Low Tide
11:49 pm @ -0.2 ft



Aug. 2
98°

Low Temperature 80°F
No Chance of Rain
Humidity 70%

High Tide
12:59 pm @ 2.23 ft
Low Tide



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Guido named Chamber’s 2023 ‘Person of Passion’



The Hancock Chamber of Commerce on Thursday hosted its Midyear Meeting: Business Over Brunch, at Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast in Bay St. Louis. Janice A. Guido, owner of Bay Life Gifts at Century Hall, was named the 2023 Jody Compretta Person of Passion. Pictured are Janice Guido, left, and Chamber Executive Director Tish Williams. Photo courtesy of the Hancock Chamber

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The Hancock Chamber of Commerce last week hosted its annual mid-year meeting, naming Old Town Bay St. Louis merchant Janice A. Guido as the recipient of the 2023 Jody Compretta Person of Passion Award.

“It was such an honor,” Guido said. “I’m still amazed and in awe of being the recipient of that most wonderful award I could get from the Chamber, in my opinion.”

The award was presented during the Chamber’s “Business Over Brunch” at Hollywood Casino Gulf Coast.

Guido opened Bay Life Gifts in down-

town Bay St. Louis in March 2015 after having worked nearly 30 years in the corporate world, and also quickly began volunteering her time for various other local endeavors, including the Hancock Chamber.

“It was very humbling to me as someone who moved here in 2015 to be recognized for all the work I do for the chamber and my shop and otherwise,” Guido said. “I was completely shocked — I was looking over my shoulder to see whose name was called (for the award). It took Wendy (McDonald) to lean over and say ‘Janice, get up — it’s you.’

“The Compretta family is just such a wonderful family in our community. All the Comprettas

have done for Hancock County and the Bay, especially, after Katrina means a lot to me, so to receive this particular award was very special. This community that I love being a part of is such a fine example of resilience.

“The people here have been — in all areas and in all the different things I have done — have been inspiring to work with. They’re all very committed to trying to keep our town and our county going in the right direction. It’s a very exciting time in my mind to be a part of this community. The sky’s the limit.”

Also during the Cham-

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I-10 work complete



Crews last week completed repairs on the East Pearl River Bridge on I-10 W near the Louisiana state line, and all lanes of I-10 W are now open. The repair project was necessary due to a vehicle strike and fire that occurred earlier this year. Photo courtesy of MDOT

Bay High band parents protest plan to move performance to end of games

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

Bay High band parents showed up in force at the Bay-Waveland School District Board of Trustees meeting last week, seeking to protest a new policy that will have the Tiger Pride band giving its competition performances after football games, not during half-time.

BWSD Director of Bands Eric Fry had informed the band parents a few days before that the Bay High Steppers dance team would now be performing the half-time show. The parents told board of trustees members that it would unfair to put the band perfor-

mance off until the end of the game, because everyone would be leaving just as they start to play.

“When I was told this is what they were going to do, I was not very happy,” Brooke Ashley Rodriguez — speaking on behalf of the parents — told board members during their regularly scheduled meeting last week. “I also reached out to other (band) parents, and they all said thye do not like this, they said they don’t think it’s a good idea. ... We’re just trying to see what we can do to try and keep our

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University of Mississippi Celebrates May 2023 Graduates

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More than 3,100 students graduated from the University of Mississippi in May 2023. Undergraduate and graduate candidates received degrees from the College of Liberal Arts, General Studies and schools of Accountancy, Applied Sciences, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Journalism and New Media, Law and Pharmacy.

Bart Brooks, of Bay St Louis, MS, who majored in Political Science, is one of those students.

Breaghan Leflore, of Bay St. Louis, MS, who majored in Allied Health Studies, is one of those students.

Kaitlyn Thurmond, of Diamondhead, MS, who majored in Physics, is one of those students.

Sarah Deano, of Bay St. Louis, MS, who majored in Accountancy, is one of those students.

Rymsky Labat, of Bay St. Louis, MS, who majored in Curriculum and Instruction, is one of those students.

Adam Lalejini, of Diamondhead, MS, who majored in Master

of Accy. & Data Analytics, is one of those students.

Trey Ostheimer, of Diamondhead, MS, who majored in Accountancy, is one of those students.

Claire Lundgren, of Diamondhead, MS, who majored in Dietetics and Nutrition, is one of those students.

Marguerite Christman, of Bay St. Louis, MS, who majored in General Business, is one of those students.

Austin Gardner, of Bay St. Louis, MS, who majored in Management, is one of those students.

Jordan Desplas, of Diamondhead, MS, who majored in Chemical Engineering, is one of those students.

Jack Wikoff, of Bay St Louis, MS, who majored in Integrated Marketing Communications, is one of those students.

“Our May 2023 class of graduates are distinguished by incredible achievements, character and resilience,” said Chancellor Glenn Boyce. “They accomplished so much during their years at Ole Miss, and we can’t wait to see all

the ways they will pursue their passions and reach their full potential on their paths to a bright future.”

May 2023 graduates were invited to walk across the stage at the University of Mississippi’s 170th Commencement exercises, which were held by individual colleges and schools May 10-14. The universitywide morning convocation took place on Saturday, May 13 in the Grove, with UM alumna Stephanie Hickman, president and CEO of Trice Construction Co., giving the keynote address.

The University of Mississippi, affectionately known as Ole Miss, is the state’s flagship university. Its 16 academic divisions include a major medical school, nationally recognized schools of accountancy, law and pharmacy, and an Honors College acclaimed for a blend of academic rigor, experiential learning and opportunities for community action. Recognized among the nation’s most beautiful, Ole Miss’ main campus is in Oxford.



Tyler Vallee Named to Spring 2023 Dean’s List at University of Findlay

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Tyler Vallee, of Diamondhead, 39525, was named to the spring 2023 dean’s list at the University of Findlay. To earn this achievement, a student must attain a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Located in Findlay, Ohio, the University of Findlay is known not only for science, health professions, animal science and equestrian studies programs, but

also for cultivating the next generation of business leaders, educators and global citizens through a dedication to experiential learning, both in and outside of the classroom. Established in 1882 through a joint partnership between the Churches of God, General Counsel and the City of Findlay, the University of Findlay has more than 80 majors leading to baccalaureate degrees and offers 11 master’s degrees, and five doctoral degrees. More than 3,500 students are enrolled at Findlay.



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Cole Middleton, Tiny Mister Gulf Coast, Rylynn Bellais, PreTeen Miss Gulf Coast, and Shaylynn Bellais, Baby Miss Gulf Coast, of Kiln will be contestants in the state wide Little Miss and Mr. Magnolia State Pageant finals in Vicksburg, MS on September 23-24, 2023.

Overall, Cole won the prettiest eyes and hair awards; Shaylynn won best fashion and prettiest hair; and Rylynn won prettiest eyes and hair.

They are the children of Shayla Davana Middleton and Cole Bellais.

Contestants ages 0-11 years old will be competing in the state finals to win one of the coveted titles of Little Miss or Mr. Magnolia State. The Little Miss and Mr. Magnolia State Pageant is the largest pageant in the state of Mississippi. This pageant is unique where



Cole Middleton



Rylynn Bellais



Shaylynn Bellais

the children do not wear blitzed-out pageant attire or anything fake, such as hair, spray tans, etc. The winners of each division will receive a \$1,000 cash scholarship for their future educations. Pageant competition will take place on Saturday, September 23, 2023 and the crowning ceremonies will take place on Sunday, September 24, 2023. To support your hometown contestant, you may visit the “Miss Magnolia State Pageant Facebook Page” or website www.missmagnolia

[astate.com](http://www.missmagnoliastate.com) and vote for your favorite contestant for the People’s Choice Award between September 1-23, 2023.

Correction

In the July 6th edition of the Sea Coast Echo, a photo featured on the Second Saturday page referencing the French Potager was incorrectly credited to McKenziey Northington. The correct photo credit is Photographer:

Brandi Stage Portraiture, Model: Grace Byrd, Makeup Artist: Kasper Ly, Retoucher: Erin O’Connor. The Sea Coast Echo apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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Good Days

I’ve always pondered what it means to have a good day. Sometimes, I define a good day as just surviving the work day. Another type of good day for me is just laying around with my cats and binge-watching true crime or a favorite television show.

For the past few weeks, the good days have been sparse. But, I have learned to appreciate just the good moments in the days.

This past Friday, after many more hurdles — including a sugar spike, a bleed in the abdomen, blood clots, and more scheduling conflicts — Daddy was finally able to have his skin graft. Instead of putting him through another intense surgical procedure, the doctors opted to use artificial skin to close the wound on his leg. After that was completed, the feeling of relief that washed over me was indescribable. And I kept saying how good a day it was. Daddy was finally turning a corner and the good news kept rolling in through the weekend.

Our visits have become filled with laughter and smiles, rather than fighting back tears. There’s no more sobbing on the street corner in New Orleans when someone calls me for an update.

On Monday, Daddy was moved to a regular room, after a four-week stay in ICU. While we absolutely adore the ICU nurses and will miss them, we are very excited for this next step in his recovery.

Doctors also removed the trachea, staples from his incision, and physical therapy has him walking a few steps and sitting up in a chair.

His speech has improved so much and his skin flap on his face is healing real well. We have even had him laughing at times.

The next step is intensive rehab and for doctors to decide whether chemotherapy or radiation is right for him.

Our job now is to keep his spirits up as much as we can.

I know it’s frustrating for him to have been confined to a hospital bed for this long, especially when it originally wasn’t supposed to be this long of a hospital visit.

But, we have to take things as they come, and work through them, which is what he does.

He is definitely a fighter and I know this has been tough on him. We try to reiterate to him just how far he has come in the past four weeks and the vast improvements that we have witnessed just in the last few days.

I can’t imagine what he is experiencing and I have often felt guilty for experiencing the emotions that



STAFF COLUMN
BY Cassandra Favre

Hancock History: PINE HILLS HOTEL

On the northern shore of the Bay of St. Louis there was once a grand hotel that dominated the skyline which was the Pine Hills Hotel, better known by the locals and tourists by nicknames such as “The Pink Lady,” “The Lady,” and “Jewel of the Gulf.” The story of the Pink Lady is worth telling.

The site of the hotel was originally a small Choctaw village adjacent to what the early colonial settlers called Shelly or Shell Beach. William Alexander Whitfield started a plantation there in 1850 he named Shelly Plantation. In 1925, this property was purchased from the Edwards Lumber Company by a group of New Orleans investors financed by northern banks. This consortium envisioned construction of a big hotel to be the centerpiece of a tourist

destination complex real estate development to be called “Pines-on-the-Hill.”

This era was called the “Roaring Twenties” that witnessed the accumulation of great wealth by many local and regional investors fueled by a raging bull stock market. Wealthy tourist from New Orleans and other communities west of the Crescent City wanted to enjoy the amenities of the Gulf Coast and everyone had disposable income to spend thanks to the capital gains profits of their investment portfolios. In this age, a half-dozen so-called Grand Dame hotels were built along the Gulf Coast such as the Edgewater Gulf Hotel (Biloxi), the Buena Vista (Biloxi), the Tivoli (Biloxi), the Markham (Gulfport), and the White House (Biloxi).

The location of the Pine Hills Hotel was strategic in 1926. US Highway 11 delivered tourists from New Orleans to the Gulf Coast to vacation. At that time there was no bridge across the Bay of St. Louis and this highway looped over the northern side of the Bay on what is the present-day Kiln-Delisle Road, that continued to Pass Christian. The Pine Hills Hotel was the first resort hotel available to this group of Louisiana motorists looking to vacation on the coast.

These wealthy tourists were not disappointed when they drove into these elegant grounds and were introduced to one of the most stunning architectural edifices on the Gulf Coast. This mammoth six-story hotel was designed in a Romanesque Mediterranean style that had the



HANCOCK HISTORY
BY James Keating
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appearance of a veritable palace. The hotel itself cost \$1.5M and was constructed on a small sloping-to-the-sea hill facing a sandy beach. The 180-room luxury hotel was accompanied by a golf course and a residential park called Pine Hills-on-the-Bay. The

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The end of Affirmative Action

Guest Column

By Andrea Dedeaux

In June the Supreme Court of the United States ruled to end affirmative action. This means that colleges and universities may no longer consider race as a factor when considering student admissions.

In response, NAACP President and CEO Derrick Johnson released the following statement reaffirming the Association’s commitment to tools that support equal access to higher education for Black students: “Today the Supreme Court has bowed to the personally held beliefs of an extremist minority. We will not allow hate-inspired people in power to turn back the clock and undermine our

hard-won victories. The tricks of America’s dark past will not be tolerated.”

Wisdom Cole the NAACP National Director of the Association’s Youth and College Division said: “This is a dark day in America. Affirmative Action has been a beacon of hope for generations of Black students. It stood as a powerful force against the insidious poison of racism and sexism, aiming to level the playing field and provide a fair shot at a high-quality education for all.”

Soon after the Supreme Court decision, some Black and Latino community groups filed a Civil Rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Civil Rights arguing that the legacy admissions system of colleges and universities violates Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. They argue that legacy admissions are racial discrimination because 70% of the recipients of these admissions are white. The NAACP joined the effort asking more than 1,500 colleges and universities to even the playing field in admissions by ending legacy admissions saying that the programs favor the children of mostly white alumni.

Legacy admission is a practice that colleges and universities use where they give preference to the children of alumni. Another practice is donor admission where preference is given to children of donors to the institution.

Researchers specializing in education and workplace policies examined why people support legacy admissions

and not affirmative action. As expected, it does have something to do with race. It is based on racial hierarchy. White Americans are the dominant group and ethnic minorities are subordinates. Legacy and donor admissions benefit the dominant group. Affirmative action will benefit the subordinate group, therefore it threatens the racial hierarchy. One fact that appears to validate this position is that some universities said that they have admitted legacy students in recent years who did not meet the institutions’ academic requirements.

Recently Wesleyan University, a private liberal arts institution, has ended the practice of legacy admissions. The

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ARREST RECORD

Arrests logged at the Hancock County Justice facility from June 26 to July 3 appearance on the jail log is not indicative of guilt, merely a record that an arrest has been made.

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Jacob D. Hux, 41, contempt failure to appear (bench warrant); simple assault
John C. Walker, 39, DUI; suspended license; no proof of liability insurance; possession of marijuana (1-30 grams); possession of paraphernalia; tag-none, expired, improperly mounted, covering or mounted
William J. Pedron, 42, false identifying information
Daniel J. Carver III, 45, contempt of court failure to appear
Christina M. Myers, 55, contempt failure to appear
Mary B. Wilkins, 47, contempt failure to appear; contempt failure to comply
Ashley L. Vitrano, 36, trespassing
Terry D. Googins Jr., 42, trespassing; simple assault x 2
Jackie Burnett Jr., 64, felony possession of controlled substance; fail to stop inspection stations; no drivers license or expired; operating an

out of service vehicle; operating unsafe vehicle
Phillip A. Grantier II, 29, contempt of court failure to appear
Steve W. Berry, 56, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Ethan J. Jacobs, 25, simple domestic violence simple assault; parole violation
Andy L. Entrekin, 43, probation violation
Christopher J. Schwalbauch, 39, contempt failure to appear
Heidi E. Ogle, 22, simple assault
Fred A. Zuvicah, 33, contempt failure to appear
Christian M. Scott, 27, contempt failure to appear
Jennifer E. Rive-ra-Bane, 56, tampering with witness
Georgia L. Dennis, 51, probation violation
Carrie S. Payne, 23, contempt of court failure to appear; hold for other agency
Parker D. Waltman, 25, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Aubrie D. Breaux, 33, simple domestic violence simple assault
William R. Brooks, 48, trespassing
Richard T. Ward, 61, hold for other agency
Natalie P. Brown, 40, suspended license; no proof of liability insurance; possession of par-

aphernalia; drunkenness/profanity in public place; tag-none, expired, improperly mounted, covering or mounted; traffic violations and general vehicle violations
Derrick G. Fox Jr., 38, simple domestic violence simple assault; parole violation
Dylan A. Goynes, 23, disturbance of family; simple assault
Lodge W. Ladner, 45, probation violation
Muriah R. Jones, 30, hindering prosecution or apprehension; definition of criminal assistance
Joseph P. Berge, 37, hold for other agency
Katherine A. Skinner, 29, hold for other agency
Brittany R. Scheffler, 33, forgery; shoplifting
Justin C. Walters, 42, contempt failure to appear
Jacob K. Hubler, 29, contempt of court failure to appear
Timothy C. Burkett, 39, contempt failure to appear
Misty M. Alligood, 40, grand larceny
Lawrence J. Peterson III, 39, grand larceny
Maurice W. Dixon, 36, controlled substance or counterfeit substance violations
Dustie L. Tebo, 32, felony possession of controlled substance
Ayden P. Christophe, 18, DUI 1st offense;

public property; destroy/deface cemetery/school/church/property valued over \$300
Terrence A. Johnson Jr., 19, controlled substance: possession of marijuana (1-30 grams) while operating a motor vehicle
Christopher A. McGee, 29, contempt of court failure to appear
Latreab S. Bradley, 34, shoplifting x 2
Nathan Ladner, 32, DUI 1st offense
Justin A. Asher, 33, DUI; misdemeanor possession of controlled substance
Lane Schiro, 19, DUI first/subsequent conviction penalties
John L. Burnett, 60, trespassing
Austin M. Raffeo, 26, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Laronne O. Lewis, 28, contempt of court failure to appear
Christopher C. Mahaffey, 29, DUI
Sheila R. George, 36, contempt of court failure to appear
Charles W. Davis, 59, contempt of court failure to appear x 2
Montana R. Schwartz, 21, contempt of court failure to appear
Dustin T. Graham, 32, hold for other agency
Karl M. Aerter, 65, contempt of court failure to appear

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I have because it’s not me in that bed going through all of this. But, I do know that my feelings are valid, as so many have told me. My mom, my sister, and my nephew have all experienced a roller coaster of emotions as we wondered what the new day or night would bring.
I have tried to concentrate on the good moments, without losing sight of the reality of hearing the not so good news.
But, like my Daddy has been telling everyone, I’m a worrier. He’s not wrong. I have paced the floors many a night and day in the past few weeks.
I don’t know if Daddy’s situation would have turned out the way it did without his outstanding team of

doctors. They truly care about him and even his family. They communicate with us, answer all our questions, and have taken the best care of Daddy. I couldn’t have asked for anything more from them.
We knew this journey would be a long one and it might be little longer than expected, but we are all on board for it and will do whatever it takes to help him get on his feet again. That is our number one priority.
As for me, I’m so very glad to be able to tell people that there have been days filled with more good happenings than bad.
I know my Daddy might not see things that way right now and the road seems long and filled with roadblocks, but I want him to know that he has been so strong through all this and I know that he has the fight in him to smash all the odds.
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hotel offered its well-to-do patrons gambling, pristine outdoors and seashores, gourmet Southern/Creole cuisine, and alcoholic beverages.
Some guests came from far away as Chicago to enjoy this style of comfort. In fact, a frequent guest of the hotel was the gangster, Al Capone. His presence in our locale probably fostered the urban legend that he was directly involved in Hancock County rum-running during Prohibition. Business boomed. A stock market ticker tape was installed in the lobby for wealthy patrons to monitor their growing prosperity.
It all seemed like this investment was too good to be true. It was. On the infamous Black

Thursday, October 24, 1929, the Wall Street Stock Market crashed which initiated the catastrophic Great Depression. The price of these stocks (Dow Jones Industrial Average) did not return to its peak 1928 value until the early 1950’s. Many of the investors and a participant bank that built the hotel and financed the mortgage went bankrupt.
To make matters worse, Hancock and Harrison Counties built a bridge across the Bay of St. Louis in 1928. Previously, the aforementioned Highway 90 allowed the New Orleanian a passageway from the Chef Menteur Highway around the Bay that would bypass the Pine Hills Hotel. This new wooden bridge cut thirty-two miles out of this itinerary, allowing a direct route of only two miles from the community of Bay St. Louis to Henderson Point in Pass Christian. In good times, the

hotel would have survived, but the Pine Hills Hotel did not rebound from these two adverse events: the bridge first; then the Crash second.
The hotel closed in 1930 after the crash because the wealthy class could no longer afford a luxurious vacation to this lavish resort. The hotel went belly up and the building and the land became the possession of some bonding interests. Sadly, the building remained vacant until 1942 when it was used for six months as a temporary barracks for overseas-bound Army soldiers. In 1954 a Catholic order purchased and renovated the building to house a seminary for the training of priests of the Oblate Fathers. This seminary closed in 1968. In 1984 the hotel and its adjoining eighty acres was bought by the DuPont Company for \$2M to be a buffer zone for its titanium dioxide plant. In 1986 the hotel was reduced to rubble

NAACP

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university’s president Michael S. Roth called the practice hypocritical. He said: “A diverse student body is important. People learn more and perform at higher levels when they encounter new people and ideas different from their own.” He went on to say that the students benefit from being exposed

to different experiences and points of view. He stressed the importance of doing the right thing in order to restore confidence in the fairness of college and university admissions.
One of our Black History Month articles highlighted some of the best and brightest African Americans who have contributed much to the people of our country. Another is Dr. Jane Cooke Wright who with her father researched chemotherapy drugs.

Their research led to remissions in patients with leukemia and lymphoma. She later went on to serve on President Lyndon B. Johnson’s Commission on Heart Disease, Cancer, and Stroke. Lives were saved because of the access to high quality education for black students. This brings to mind the iconic slogan of the United Negro College Fund: “A mind is a terrible thing to waste but a wonderful thing to invest in.”
The NAACP contin-

ues to fight for the rights of ALL people. If you would like to join the Hancock County Branch of the NAACP or need to renew your membership, email us at hancocknaacpnews@yahoo.com or call (228) 332-0526 to request an application. The Branch monthly meetings are held on the second Monday of the month at Morning Star Baptist Church on Sycamore Street in the Bay at 6:00pm and are open to the public.

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Obituaries

• ALMA GEORGIA HUSEN PICKENS

Alma Georgia Husen Pickens

Alma Georgia Husen Pickens (“Muv”), 97, passed away peacefully at her residence in Diamondhead, MS, surrounded by daughter Melissa, hospice carers and her beloved cats. A cherished only child, Georgia was preceded in death by her mother, Alice Appley Husen and father, Alfred George Husen of Short Hills NJ, and her husband, Robert Boyd Pickens Jr. of New Albany MS. She is survived by her three children Robert Boyd Pickens III (Bob), his wife Deb Heaviland Pickens of Farnham Surrey, UK, Melissa M. Pickens of Diamondhead MS, and Andrea Pickens Long of Toronto Ontario, Canada, 6 Grandchildren and 6 Great-Grandchildren.

Georgia attended University of Vermont where she studied English and joined the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority. After just two years at UVM Georgia decided to follow her passion for travel. Seeking a more adventurous life, she joined the crew

of the now defunct Eastern Airlines and became a stewardess, flying junks from New Orleans via Havana to Caracas and other exotic locales. This period of life came to define her and during which she formed her longest friendships within a close circle of other stewardesses who called themselves “The Clipped Wings” as one after one married and started families of their own. Georgia followed suit, with Boyd and the family moving homes often, living in Jackson MS, Memphis TN, St. Louis MO, Dallas TX, London UK, Cleveland OH, and West Norwalk CT before landing at their final destination in Diamondhead in 1996.

In addition to travel, Georgia had a deep love of literature, and writing long letters by hand in her fine penmanship; two interests that remained with her until her eyes and fingers could no longer cope. She was known to send books, magazine articles and recipes to family and friends whom she felt would enjoy. The New York Times crossword



puzzle could be found on her breakfast table, accompanied by her usual cup of black coffee.

Because she was so well-read, Georgia was a terrific conversationalist, always at the ready with a fun story or anecdote. She also found much happiness in her work with her church, cooking, gardening, interior decorating and caring for a multitude of pets over her lifetime. Those who knew her will miss her wit, her style, her hospitality and her dedicated friendship.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at St. Thomas Episcopal Church, 5303 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead MS 39535 on Sunday August 27, 2023.

A family memorial is set for a future date.

• PASSION

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ber meeting last week, Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission CEO Blaine LaFontaine announced two major business developments.

One is that the Loui-

siana-based Point Eight Power will be opening a facility at Port Bienville.

LaFontaine said the Port & Harbor Commission has been working to acquire a 72,000-square foot production facility that has been vacant for the project.

He said the plan would create an estimat-

ed 78 new jobs over the next five years.

LaFontaine also announced a ground lease with Oklahoma-based Skydwellers Aero Inc. to open a presentation and test operations facility for the largest unmanned aircraft in the world at Stennis International Airport.

• PLAN

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on and waiting on.”

She praised City Manager John McCraw for his efforts to see the plan to fruition, as well as engineer Jason Chiniche for designing the project and especially Mississippi state legislators for making the plan possible through \$1.2 million in Tidelands funds.

“Without these gentlemen standing next to me, Rep. Jay McKnight and Sen. Philip Moran, we wouldn’t be standing here today,” Depreo said.

The location, right on the Jourdan River at the end of Noma Drive, was originally used by the Purcell Company — which built the Diamondhead community — to barge in building and

pre-fabricated materials to the community. The materials would then be loaded onto a truck to be delivered to the various build sites.

As part of its 20-year master plan, the city of Diamondhead aims to create a new “Town Center” in the vicinity, with waterfront shopping and dining locations, as well as residential and outdoor entertainment facilities.

“This is the first phase,” Depreo said, “which is why we’re making such a big to-do.”

The first phase will include road and infrastructure improvements.

The second phase would provide direct access to the river with the new boat launch, kayak launch, boardwalk, fishing pier and comfort station.

Chiniche Engineering is designing the project, and the city has contracted with Bottom 2 Top Construction to build it.

while the scene was cleaned up, Prendergast said.

“Moss Towing had to use a bob cat in order to remove the vehicle due

to the damages it received,” he said.

No alcohol or drugs were involved in the accident, Prendergast said.

Bay man sentenced to 11 years in prison for meth

ECHO STAFF

A Bay St. Louis man was sentenced last week to 136 months in prison for possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine, announced U.S. Attorney Darren J. LaMarca and Special Agent in Charge Brad L. Byerley of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Reynard Joseph Elzy, 40, was sentenced in U.S. District Court in Gulfport.

According to court records, a confidential

source purchased methamphetamine from Elzy in Bay St. Louis. A search warrant was executed on Elzy’s residence and additional narcotics and a firearm were found. Elzy was on parole through the Mississippi Department of Corrections at the time of the offense.

Elzy was indicted by a federal grand jury on January 25, 2023. He pled guilty to one count of possession with intent to distribute methamphetamine on April 19, 2023.

The case was investigated by the Drug En-



Reynard Elzy

forcement Administration and the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Erica Rose.

Hancock investigators capture fugitive sex offender

ECHO STAFF

Hancock County sheriff’s investigators on Friday captured a convicted sex offender who was on the run from Washington authorities.

On July 21, “the Hancock County Sheriff’s Office Criminal Investigations Division received an anonymous tip concerning Joseph Peter Berge III, a wanted fugitive from Washington State since October 2019,” Sheriff Ricky Adam said in a press release. “Joseph Berge was believed to be living with his girlfriend, Muriah Jones, in Hancock County under the alias, Seth Jones, with an altered date of birth.”

Investigators contacted the Washington Department of Corrections and were informed Berge was wanted for escaping Washington DOC

probation supervision after previously being convicted for two counts of Child Molestation and one count of Failure to Register as a Sex Offender, Adam said. Berge is also wanted in Clark County, Washington for Failure to Register as a Sex Offender.

Investigators were able to confirm the alias, Seth Jones, had been used in a previous incident reported on the Mississippi Gulf Coast in February 2023, Adam said, and were able to confirm a known address for Seth Jones in Kiln.

“Investigators and patrol deputies proceeded to the address in Kiln,” Adam said. “Upon arrival contact was made with Muriah Jones who was informed they were attempting to locate Joseph Berge to serve an active arrest warrant.

“Upon further inves-



Joseph Peter Berge III

tigation, Joseph Berge was located inside the residence.”

Berge was taken into custody without incident, Adam said, and Muriah Jones was arrested for the charge of Felony Hindering Prosecution.

Berge and Jones were transported to the Hancock County Adult Detention Center. Berge has been booked on a hold for Washington DOC.

• BAND

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kids’ competition show during half-time.”

“The school board has very little to say about this,” board President Casey Favre said. “This is a daily operational matter — we basically have zero to say about it.”

However, Favre said, “I’ve had parents say they’re children are looking forward to non-competition performances during the half-time show. ... I’ve also had no less than 20 people talk about the band performing during parades (saying) the band needs to work on the performance during Mardi Gras parades.”

Board member Janell Toney said that when she played basketball for Bay High, she was worried about whether anyone in the stands was watching, she was just there to play the game.

Parents said, however, that the band is there to perform for an audience, not win a game.

Favre said if the board voted to move the band performance back to the half-time show, then “At our next meeting, we’ll have a group of angry

dance parents here,” complaining that the High Steppers’ performance had been moved to the end of the game.

Toney suggested they find a way for the band and the High Steppers to work together.

Favre said that Fry had made the recommendation to move the competition performance until after the games. Fry said he had only made that recommendation after being told that was his best option.

Fry said the band’s program takes months to perfect, with months of practice before they actually go to competition.

“I’ve been working on this program since last September,” he said.

Last year, the Tiger Pride Band took third place at the 4A State Marching Championships, a new school record.

Unfortunately, Fry said, statewide band competitions do not include dance teams, and the dance team has its own music it uses to perform.

Some of the parents suggested letting the High Steppers perform and half of the half-time shows this season, and the band perform at the other half.

Athletic Director Zachary Ferry said he would meet again with Fry and the Bay High Steppers director to see if they could reach a new agreement on the performance times.

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LOOK INSIDE

Devotional Page

What is morality?

By **REV. C. GERALD RICHARDSON, D. MIN**



C. Gerald Richardson, D. MIN.

One of the generally accepted roles of religion and spirituality in human society is that of establishing and nurturing a moral understanding among people. Of course, not everyone agrees as to the details and/or boundaries of such morality, but it remains somewhat tacitly understood that moral codes spring from some kind of spiritual root. Examples

of moral behavior usually include such concepts as honesty, integrity, dependability, loyalty, and similar attitudes or lifestyles.

Moral expectations or codes generally emerge from particular cultures. While the attitudes and expectations are often similar, they may be incorporated into daily life in different ways depending upon the norms of the area in which they are being practiced.

There have been periods in our history in which there were significant shifts in moral thinking. In the 19th Century such a shift occurred as people became more and more uncomfortable with the idea of slavery, and with the building of economic wealth at the expense of enslaved people. After a devastating Civil War and a long period of reconstruction, and after many years of heal-

ing, the moral attitude regarding slavery shifted. It would be very difficult, if not impossible, to find people today who would argue for the moral rightness of human slavery.

In these early years of the 21st Century we are witnessing a growing awareness of changing morality with respect to human sexuality. Some significant changes have already become established in our culture (although many people still resist). Others are hot topics of conversation, especially in some religious settings.

Too often, the missing link in most of these conversations is the question regarding the origins of our moral standards. Where do they come from? How did they become established as anchors in society? How do we account for different norms in different

cultural settings? Who gets to decide? On what basis are these decisions made?

Many people use highly selective biblical texts to justify a particular moral perception. This can be a risky practice. There is always another selective text which seems counter to the one being proposed. It is also true that scriptural texts emerge from the cultures in which they were written. They mostly reflect the common understandings of the time and place from which they come. They can seldom be looked upon as hard and fast rules for all time.

Others point to the common understandings in the time and place in which we live. This actually reasons that if most people agree, it must be right. Of course, history teaches that such thinking has often been in error, and that time

has challenged and changed convictions that had been long-held.

Most spiritual teaching applies a different standard to moral evaluation. In one form or another it is often the standard of love. Certainly, this was the guide which Jesus used. The point is not “If it feels good, do it”, but “If it is loving, do it”. An act or attitude which is devoid of love has questionable moral virtue.

Of course, we all live in varied ways as beneficiaries of some kind of moral breach. We are human, and imperfection is a natural condition. What we can do is be mindful. We can pay attention to the moral values which are around us, and we can speak out in love to address it.

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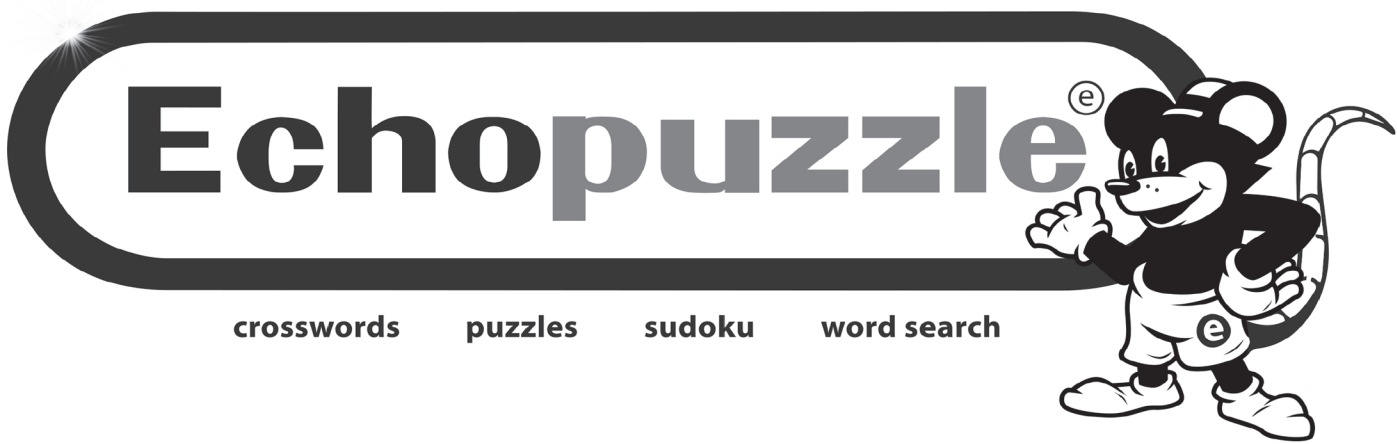
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CLUES ACROSS

1. Volcanic crater
5. Long times
10. Swedish rock group
14. Having the means to do something
15. Rods or spindles
16. La __ Tar Pits, Hollywood
17. Missing soldiers
18. Measuring instrument
19. All of the components considered individually
20. Play “__ Irish Rose”
22. Gene
23. Barrels
24. London-based soccer team
27. Feline
30. Breed of sheep
31. Body part
32. Doctors’ group
35. One who follows the rules
37. Cigarette residue
38. Ancient Greek sophist
39. Polish yeast cakes

40. Promotional materials
41. Pancakes made from buckwheat flour
42. Completed perfectly
43. Photo
44. A peninsula in SW Asia
45. The common gibbon
46. Disfigure
47. Ribonucleic acid
48. Japanese honorific
49. Pieces of music
52. Expressed pleasure
55. Having ten
56. Type of sword
60. Humble request for help
61. Eating houses
63. Italian Seaport
64. Cain and __
65. Measure the depth
66. U. of Miami’s mascot
67. Political outsiders
68. Greek sorceress
69. Body part

CLUES DOWN

1. Mother
2. Jewish calendar month
3. Jai __, sport
4. Establish again
5. Swiss river
6. Racetrack wager
7. __ but goodie
8. Closeness
9. Soviet Socialist Republic
10. At right angles to a ship’s length
11. Women’s undergarments
12. Mountain stream
13. Expresses pleasure
21. Painful places on the body
23. Automobile
25. Scandinavian god of battle
26. Expresses surprise
27. Secret political clique
28. Yields manila hemp
29. River in central Italy
32. Brain injury science acronym
33. Mental illness.

34. A person from Asia
36. Father
37. General’s assistant (abbr.)
38. Cooked or prepared in a specified style
40. Large terrier
41. Hillsides
43. Golf score
44. Not or
46. Type of student
47. Flower cluster
49. Closes tightly
50. Saudi Arabian desert
51. Famed vaccine developer
52. Multi-function radar (abbr.)
53. Actress Jessica
54. Pay attention to
57. Beloved big screen pig
58. __ Clapton, musician
59. Take a chance
61. Cost per mille
62. Helps little firms



1. SCIENCE: What kind of charge does a neutron carry?
2. THEATER: Which 20th-century play features a character named Blanche DuBois?
3. HISTORY: Which ancient Greek author is considered "the Father of Comedy"?
4. LITERATURE: What were the first names of the Bronte authors and sisters?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of nut also is known as a filbert or cobnut?

6. AD SLOGANS: Which brand of men's aftershave used the advertising slogan, "Be careful how you use it"?
7. MOVIES: What was the title of the movie in which Kirk Douglas played the artist Van Gogh?
8. GAMES: Which video game character was the first to be featured as a giant balloon in Macy's Thanksgiving Parade?
9. MUSIC: Which Billy Joel song featured a couple named Brenda and Eddie, the king and queen of the prom?
10. GEOGRAPHY: What was the former name of the African country of Zimbabwe?

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1. A neutron has no charge.
2. "A Streetcar Named Desire."
3. Aristophanes
4. Emily, Charlotte and Anne
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SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on April 29, 2019, Cody Phillip Ladner and Kaitlin Elizabeth Jewell as joint tenants with full rights of survivorship and not as tenants in common, executed a certain deed of trust to William Lee Guice, III, Trustee for the benefit of Keesler Federal Credit Union, which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Book 2019 at Page 9099; and WHEREAS, Keesler Federal Credit Union has heretofore substituted Kent D. McPhail as Trustee by instrument dated December 20, 2022 in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2022 at Page 35057; and WHEREAS, default having been

made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Keesler Federal Credit Union, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kent D. McPhail, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on August 3, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry through duly appointed auctioneer and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the Front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County, Mississippi, located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: That certain tract, piece, or parcel of land being situated in the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 35, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows; to-wit; Commence at the found 1/2 inch iron pipe marking the Northwest corner of Section 35, Township 6 South, Range 15 West, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 18 seconds East along the North boundary of said Section 35, a distance of 231.93 feet to a set 1/2 inch re-bar on the Eastern right-of way of Bayou Bacon Road for the true Point of Beginning; thence North 89 degrees 47 minutes 18 seconds East along the North boundary of said Section 35, a distance of 919.02 feet to a set 1/2 inch re-bar; thence South 55 degrees 16 minutes 45 seconds West, a distance of 734.63 feet to a set 1/2 inch re-bar on the Northern right-of way of Bayou Bacon Road; thence around a curve to the right along the Eastern right-of way of said Bayou Bacon Road through an arc a distance of 525.23 feet, a chord bearing of North 37 degrees 12 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 521.15 feet to the Point of Beginning. The property contains 4.62 acres more or less, and is a part of the Northwest 1/4 of said Section 35. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE on this 6th day of June, 2023
Kent D. McPhail SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
McPhail Sanchez, LLC
126 Government Street
Mobile, AL 36602 (251) 438-2333
Publication Dates: 7/6/2023, 7/13/2023, 7/20/2023 and 7/27/2023.

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE WHEREAS, on April 4, 2013, Robert E. Mehan, unmarried executed a certain deed of trust to Jeffrey Wagner, Trustee for the benefit of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 2013 at Page 9188; and

WHEREAS, LLG MS LLC has heretofore been substituted as Trustee by instrument dated May 16, 2022 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2022 at Page 15676; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, LLG MS LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on August 16, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the front door of the County Courthouse at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit: The following described real property located in County of Hancock, State of Mississippi; being more particularly described as follows: ALL that certain piece or portion of ground, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, and all the rights, ways, privileges, servitudes, appurtenances and advantages thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, situated in Hancock County, Mississippi and more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Lots 33, 34, 35, and 36, Gulfside Sites Subdivision, Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per official plat thereof on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. Indexing Instructions: Lots 33, 34, 35, and 36 Gulfside Sites Subdivision, Hancock County, Mississippi. BEING the same property conveyed to Robert E. Mehan by deed from Brent Allen Merilson and Kelly-Jo Hersch Merilson, recorded November 8, 2002 in Book BB253, Page 448, public records of Hancock County, Mississippi. Property Address: 815 Saint Joseph Street, Waveland, MS 39576 AP N: 162A-0-03-004.000 I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee. LLG MS LLC SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE LOGS Legal Group LLP 1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202 Flowood, MS 39232 (601) 981-9299 815 Saint Joseph St Waveland, MS 39576 22-027886 Publication Dates: June 22, 2023, July 20, 2023, July 27, 2023, August 3, 2023, and August 10, 2023

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF Hancock
WHEREAS, on the 16th day of November, 2016, John Jory III and Deborah J Jory, Trustees of the John and Deborah Jory Family Trust Dated 08-10-11, executed and delivered a certain Deed of Trust unto Adams & Edens, PA, Trustee for Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Beneficiary, to secure an indebtedness therein described, which Deed of Trust is recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi in Deed of Trust Book 2016 at Page 25710; and WHEREAS, on the 5th day of January, 2023, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as beneficiary, as nominee for Nationstar Mortgage LLC, assigned said Deed of Trust unto Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust 2022-RP2, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Misc Book 2023 at Page 1; and WHEREAS, on the 11th day of May, 2023 the Holder of said Deed of Trust substituted and appointed Dean Morris, LLC as Substitute Trustee by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Deed of Trust Book 2023 at Page 10401; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the payments of the indebtedness secured by the said Deed of Trust, and the holder of said Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned so to do, on the 2nd day of August, 2023, I will during the lawful hours of between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., at public outcry, offer for sale and will sell, at the front door of the Hancock County courthouse L, 152 Main Street, Suite A at the north facing front door at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest bidder,

the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to-wit: THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY IN THE COUNTY OF HANCOCK, STATE OF MISSISSIPPI: LOT 71, SQUARE 164, UNIT 2, BAY-SIDE PARK, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL MAP OR PLAT THEREOF ON FILE AND OF RECORD IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI. I will only convey such title as is vested in me as Substitute Trustee. WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 26th day of June, 2023.
Dean Morris, LLC
Substitute Trustee
855 S Pear Orchard Rd., Ste. 404, Bldg. 400
Ridgeland, MS 39157
(318) 330-9020
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RANDY CHARLES BRUNELLE, JR., DECEASED
STEPHANIE LENORE BRUNELLE, PETITIONER
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-00140-JS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS-AT-LAW OF RANDY CHARLES BRUNELLE, JR., DECEASED, AND ANY AND ALL PERSONS OR ENTITIES HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN AND TO THE ESTATE OF RANDY CHARLES BRUNELLE, JR., DECEASED, WHOSE NAMES, ADDRESSES AND POST OFFICE BOXES ARE UNKNOWN AFTER DILIGENT SEARCH AND INQUIRY. You have been made a Defendant in the suit filed in this Court by Stephanie Lenore Brunelle, Petitioner, seeking to establish the heirs at law of Randy Charles Brunelle, Jr., Deceased. The parties other than you in this suit are Stephanie Lenore Brunelle, Easton Ryver Brunelle and Peyton Elizabeth Brunelle. You are summoned to appear and defend against the complaint or petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 A.M. on the 24th day of August, 2023, in the Chancery courtroom in the City of Gulfport, Harrison County, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the relief or other things demanded in the petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 7th day of July, 2023.
TIM KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK
By: Bridgette Ladner, D.C.
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NO.: 23CH1:22-cv-00097-JP
BRETT LARKIN BARRETT, DECEASED
MARIA BARRETT, PETITIONER
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 3rd day of July, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Brett Larkin Barrett, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 13th day of July, 2023.
s/MARIA BARRETT
PUBLISH: July 13, 2023, July 20, 2023, July 27, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF KENNETH RAY HODA, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-314-CB
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 11th day of July, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Kenneth Ray Hoda, deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same

to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within ninety (90) days of first publication, or they will be forever barred.
This the 11th day of July, A.D., 2023.
s/BRANDON HODA, ADMINISTRATOR
Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525
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Publish dates: 7/20/2023; 7/27/2023; 8/3/2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF KENNETH RAY HODA, DECEASED
CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-314-CB
SUMMONS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF KENNETH RAY HODA, DECEASED
You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by Brandon Hoda, Administrator of the Estate of Kenneth Ray Hoda, deceased, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of Kenneth Ray Hoda, deceased. The Defendants other than you in this action are Kenneth Blaine Wall, Derick Alexander Hoda, and Ranae Katherine Hoda, who along with Brandon Hoda are alleged to be the sole heirs of the decedent.

You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on August 23, 2023, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings, but you may do so if you so desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 12th day of July, 2023.
Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
By: s/Cassie Tribble
Deputy Clerk
152 Main Street, Ste. A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5406
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Publish Dates: 7/20/2023; 7/27/2023; 8/3/2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
WBRT, LLC, PLAINTIFF VERSUS STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, LYNN FITCH; COUNTY OF HANCOCK, OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK, TIMOTHY KELLAR; COUNTY OF HANCOCK, OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, W. CROSBY PARKER; LAURIE A. HENRY, A/K/A LAURIE A. HENRY-FOUTS, if living, if deceased, then her unknown heirs at law, devisees, and/or legatees; THE DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., its successors or assigns; LONG LAND INVESTMENTS, INC, its successors or assigns; KALE FARMS, LLC, its successors or assigns; and any other persons, individuals, partnerships, firms, and/or corporations having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in and to certain real property described as Parcel Number 067J-3-36-016.000; LOTS 15 & 16, BLOCK 4, UNIT 7A, DIAMONDHEAD, PHASE 2, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, DEFENDANTS; CIVIL ACTION NO.23CH1:23-cv-377-JS
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION NOTICE TO: LAURIE A. HENRY, A/K/A LAURIE A. HENRY-FOUTS, IF LIVING, IF DECEASED, THEN HER UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW, DEVISEES, AND/OR LEGATEES; THE DIAMONDHEAD COUNTRY CLUB AND PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS; LONG LAND INVESTMENTS, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS; AND KALE FARMS, LLC, ITS SUCCESSORS OR ASSIGNS. NOTICE: You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by WBRT, LLC, Plaintiff, seeking to Quiet and Confirm Title. Suit filed as listed above. After a diligent search and inquiry of public records the defendant herein is made a party by this

publication of notice as set forth under MS Rule of Civil Procedure 4(c)(4). If you have a legal or equitable claim or interest in or to this property, you are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action to: Eugene J. Hoffman, IV, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose street address is 303 Reese Street, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520. Your response must be mailed or delivered not later than Thirty (30) Days after the 20th day of July, 2023, which is the first date of the publication of this Summons. OTHERWISE, YOUR RESPONSE HAS NOT BEEN SO MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT SHALL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. You must also file the original of your Response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time after the 20th day of July, 2023, which is the first date of the publication of this Summons. The address of the Clerk is 152 Main St, Bay St Louis, MS 39520.

Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, MS
Dated: July 10, 2023, By: Bridgette Ladner, Deputy Clerk
Eugene J. Hoffman, IV, Esq.
303 Reese Street, Bay St Louis, MS 39520; 228-323-3330
Dates of Publication: 07/20/23, 07/27/23, 08/03/23

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BERYL ANNE DELUZAIN, DECEASED ALAN J. REESE, JR., PETITIONER
NO. 23CH1:23-cv-00245-JP
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been issued on the 11th day of July, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Beryl Anne Deluzain, Cause No. 23CH1:23-cv-00245-JP, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice, or they will be forever barred.
This 12th day of July, 2023.
ALAN J. REESE, JR., ADMINISTRATOR
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Publication Dates: 07/20/23, 07/27/23 & 08/03/23

“PUBLIC NOTICE”
“TO THE PUBLIC AND TO THE TAXPAYERS OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI”
“You are hereby notified that the real and personal property assessment rolls of the above named county, for the year 2023 have been equalized according to law, and that said rolls are ready for inspection and examination and that any objections to said rolls or any assessment therein contained, shall be made in writing and filed with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of said County, on or before the 7th of August, 2023 at his/her office in the Courthouse of said county, and that all assessments to which no objection is then and there made, will be finally approved by said Board of Supervisors, and that all assessments to which objection is made, and which may be corrected and properly determined by this Board, will be made final by this Board of Supervisors, and that said rolls and the assessments contained therein will be approved by this Board of Supervisors; and that,
“1. This Board will be in session, for the purpose of hearing objections to the said assessments which may be filed, at the Courthouse in Bay St. Louis, with the hearing to be held in the County Annex Building, in the Supervisors Board Meeting Room of 854 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis, said County and State on the 21st day of August 2023, at 11:00 a.m.; and
“2. This Board of Supervisors will remain in session from day to day until all objections, lawfully filed, shall have been disposed of and all proper corrections made in the said rolls.
“Witness the signature and seal of the said Board of Supervisors the 3rd day of July 2023, and, “The Board of Supervisors of Hancock County.”

“Witness the signature and seal of the said Board of Supervisors, this the 3rd day of July 2023; and, “THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF HANCOCK COUNTY.”
By: /s/ Scotty Adam
Board President
By: /s/ Valerie Fitts
Deputy Chancery Clerk
Ordered and adjudged this the 3rd day of July 2023.
By: /s/ Scotty Adam
Scotty Adam
President
PUBLISH DATES: JULY 20, 2023, JULY 27, 2023, AUGUST 3, 2023, AUGUST 10, 2023

SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
WHEREAS, on November 19, 2012, Elaine Grass executed a certain deed of trust to Americas Reverse Title Inc., Trustee for the use and benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Profcio Mortgage Ventures, LLC, its successors and assigns which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, state of Mississippi, on December 5, 2012, in Book 2012, Page 25112.
WHEREAS, Mortgage Assets Management, LLC, the current holder and/or assignee, substituted Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C. as Trustee by instrument recorded in the Chancery Clerk's Office on November 4, 2022 in Book 2022, in Page 31774; and WHEREAS, Default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Mortgage Assets Management, LLC, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substitute Trustee in said deed of trust, will on August 16, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the main front door of the County Courthouse of Hancock County in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, to the highest and best bidder for cash the following described property situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, to wit:
Lots 9, 10, 21, and 22, Block 706, Unit 11, SHORELINE PARK SUBDIVISION, on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi. More commonly known as: 5165 Tombigbee Street, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520
I will convey only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C. Substituted Trustee
Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C. 244 Inverness Center Drive, Suite 200
Birmingham, AL 35242
(801) 355-2886
Publication dates: July 20, 2023, July 27, 2023, August 3, 2023, August 10, 2023

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 6th day of May, 2022, Matthew Schmitt, and Lacey Schmitt, executed a Deed of Trust to Joshua W. Closson, Trustee for the benefit of H L & C – HANCOCK, LLC., a Mississippi limited liability company, which said Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 2022, Page 15303, in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
WHEREAS, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust and HL&C – HANCOCK, LLC., a Mississippi limited liability company, the holder of the Note and Deed of Trust, having requested the undersigned Trustee so to do, I will on the 14th day of August, 2023, offer for sale at public outcry and sell during the legal hours, between 11:00 A.M. o'clock and 4:00 P.M. o'clock, at the front door steps of the Hancock County Courthouse located at 152 Main St. in Bay St Louis, Mississippi, 39520, for cash to the highest bidder, the following described real property lying and being situated in Hancock County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows, to-wit:
712 St. Joseph Street Waveland, MS 39576
PARCEL #1: Commencing at an iron pipe where the line between Lots 50 & 52, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, intersects the Easterly right-of-way of St. Joseph Street, (which point is North 45 degrees West 300 feet from the point where the line between Lots 50 and 52 intersects the Northwesterly line of Lot 14, Waveland Gardens Subdivision); thence South 45 degrees East along said line between Lots 50 and 52, 125 feet to the point of beginning, being an iron pipe; thence South 45 degrees East along the line between Lots 50 and 52, 100 feet; thence North 45 degrees East 80 feet to the Southwesterly line of Garden Lane; thence North 45 degrees West 80 feet to the point of beginning. Said property being part of Lot

50, FOURTH WARD, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the present official map or plat of said Town on file in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
PARCEL #2: Beginning at an iron pipe where the line between Lots 50 and 52, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, intersects the Easterly right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street, which point is North 45 degrees West, 300 feet from the point where the line between Lots 50 and 52 intersects the Northwesterly line of Lot 14, Waveland Gardens Subdivision; thence South 45 degrees East, along said line between Lots 50 and 52, 125 feet to an iron pipe; thence North 45 degrees East, 80 feet to an iron pipe on the Southwesterly right-of-way line of Garden Lane; thence North 45 degrees West, 210.6 feet to an iron pipe on the Easterly right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street; thence Southerly along said Easterly right-of-way line of St. Joseph Street, 117.13 feet to the point of beginning; being a part of Lot 50, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi. This property conveyed is the same property conveyed to Thelma Marie Millsap by Helen Clark Merwin as per deed recorded in Book X-7, Page 87 of the Deed Records of Hancock County, Mississippi.
The above-described parcels are subject to any restrictive covenants, reservations, and easements of record.
PARCEL #3: Beginning at a point where the line between Lots 50 and 52 intersects the Easterly right-of-way of St. Joseph Street, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi; thence South 45 degrees East along said line 275 feet to a point; thence South 45 degrees West 100 feet to the lot line between Lots 52 and 54, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, thence North 45 degrees West along said line to the Easterly right-of-way of St. Joseph Street; thence Northly along said right-of-way to the point of beginning. Said land being part of Lot 52, FOURTH WARD, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi.
Parcel number 161D-0-02-141.000
I will convey only such title as vested in me as such Trustee.
WITNESS my signature, upon this, the 14th day of July, A.D., 2023. Joshua W, Closson, Trustee
Publish on: July 20, 2023
July 27, 2023
August 3, 2023
August 10, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF JACQUELINE MEYER BURKE, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-359-CB
CO-EXECUTOR NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF JACQUELINE MEYER BURKE
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 12th day of July, 2023 by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of JACQUELINE MEYER BURKE, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
This 12th day of July, A.D., 2023. s/GERARD HERBERT BURKE, JR., CO-EXECUTOR
s/JUDITH ANNE BURKE, CO-EXECUTOR
Michael D. Haas, Jr. Haas and Haas Attorneys
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
PUBLISH DATES: JULY 20, 2023, JULY 27, 2023, AUGUST 3, 2023

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on March 13, 2015, Peggy Bourgeois, a single person and Amy M. Bulot Ladner, a married person executed a certain deed of trust to Terry L. Caves, Trustee for the benefit of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary as nominee for The First - a National Banking Association, its successors and assigns which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 2015 at Page 4585; and WHEREAS, LLG MS LLC has heretofore been substituted as Trustee by instrument dated July 10, 2023 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2023 Page 14813; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., the legal holder of said in-

debtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, LLG MS LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on August 16, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the front door of the County Courthouse at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis, MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
Lots 3, 4, and 5, except the Southeast 1.3 feet of Lot 5, all in Block 2, CHADWICK SUBDIVISION, Fourth Ward, Town of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official map or plat of said Town on file in the office of the Clerk of Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi. I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
LLG MS LLC
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
LOGS Legal Group LLP
1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202
Flowood, MS 39232
(601) 981-9299
426 Merritt St
Waveland, MS 39576
23-028966
Publication Dates: July 20, July 27, August 3 and August 10, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF NORMA JEAN GARRIGA, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-313-MA
ADMINISTRATRIX'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters of Administration having been granted on the 14th day of July, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Norma Jean Garriga, deceased, Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registered according to law within ninety (90) days of first publication, or they will be forever barred.
This the 14th day of July, A.D., 2023.
s/KERON G. McDANIEL, ADMINISTRATRIX
Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525
Haas & Haas, Attorneys at Law
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Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
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Publish dates: 7/20/2023; 7/27/2023; 8/3/2023

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on the 24th day of July, 2007, Lisa Tilley (the "Borrower") executed that certain Deed of Trust in favor of Preston J. Maufiray, Trustee, for the benefit of Habitat for Humanity Metro Jackson, Inc., Beneficiary, which Deed of Trust is on file and of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 2007 at Page 54242 (the "Deed of Trust"); and WHEREAS, said Deed of Trust was assigned to Habitat for Humanity Bay-Waveland Area, Inc., by Assignment dated March 20, 2008, and filed for record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 2008 at Page 16164. WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity Bay-Waveland, Inc., as holder of said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby, substituted P. Ann Bailey as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument dated the 13th day of July, 2023, and recorded in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi, in Book 2023 at Page 14985; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the terms and conditions set forth by said Deed of Trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust, the Beneficiary having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property therein described in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, P. Ann Bailey, Substituted Trustee of said Deed of Trust will on the 11th day of August, 2023, offer for sale at public outcry, and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 AM and 4:00 PM) at the front door of the Hancock County Courthouse, located at 152 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, for cash to the highest and best bidder, the following described land and property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:

LOTS 497-500, GULFSIDE SITES SUBDIVISION, WAVELAND, HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AS PER THE OFFICIAL PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION ON FILE AND OF RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.
I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
WITNESS my signature this the 14th day of July, 2023.
/s/ P. Ann Bailey
P. Ann Bailey, Substituted Trustee
Prepared by:
P. Ann Bailey, Esq.
Balch & Bingham, LLP
1310 Twenty-Fifth Ave.
Gulfport, MS 39501
(228) 864-9900
Publish: Sea Coast Echo
July 20, 2023; July 27, 2023; August 3, 2023; August 10, 2023

SECTION 000000A
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
NOTICE: Bidders
Sealed Bids will be received by the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS, until 4:00 PM, August 22, 2023 and shortly thereafter opened and read for:
Corporate Hangar Build Out
Project Manuals may be examined at the HANCOCK COUNTY PORT & HARBOR COMMISSION, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS, at the office of the Design Engineer, Allen & Hoshall, PLLC, 1675 Lakeland Drive Ste 207 Jackson, MS 39216, or online at www.portairspacework.com and www.allenhoshallplanroom.com. The bid documents are being made available and hard copy may be ordered via the planroom. The drawings bound in the bid documents are photographic reductions of the original tracings. Cost includes shipping and handling for each set. The cost of bid documents is non-refundable and bid documents must be purchased through the website. Return of documents is not required. All plan holders are required to have a valid email address for online registration. For information regarding website registration and online orders please contact Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193. For information regarding this project, contact Allen & Hoshall, PLLC at (601) 977-8993 in Jackson, Mississippi. Sealed paper bids may be submitted to the Hancock Port & Harbor Commission at 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS. Electronic bids can be submitted at www.portairspacework.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Plan House Printing at 662-407-0193. A pre-bid conference has been scheduled for 11:00 AM, August 1, 2023 at the Multipurpose Room Stennis International Airport at 7250 Stennis Airport Rd, Kiln, MS 39556. The right is reserved by the Owner to reject any or all bids, to waive any informalities, and to award the Contract to serve the best interest of Owner. By submitting a proposal, each bidder waives any and all claims for damages against Owner concerning any failure or decision of Owner to not accept the bid.
Authorized Representative of Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission By: Blaine LaFontaine, Hancock County Port & Harbor Commission, Executive Director
Date: July 17, 2023
Publish in the Sea Coast Echo, Clarion Ledger and Sun Herald
On July 20, 2023 & July 27, 2023

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
WHEREAS, on December 31, 2013, Michael D. Sanders and Remy Bezou Sanders executed a certain deed of trust to Jeffrey Wagner, Trustee for the benefit of Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. which deed of trust is of record in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi in Book 2014 at Page 429; and WHEREAS, LLG MS LLC has heretofore been substituted as Trustee by instrument dated July 5, 2023 and recorded in the aforesaid Chancery Clerk's Office in Book 2023 Page 14815; and WHEREAS, default having been made in the terms and conditions of said deed of trust and the entire debt secured thereby having been declared to be due and payable in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, as Trustee for Freddie Mac SLST 2022-1 Participation Interest Trust, the legal holder of said indebtedness, having requested the undersigned Substituted Trustee to execute the trust and sell said land and property in accordance with the terms of said deed of trust and for the purpose of raising the sums due thereunder, together with attorney's fees, trustee's fees and expense of sale. NOW, THEREFORE, I, LLG MS LLC, Substituted Trustee in said deed of trust, will on August 30, 2023 offer for sale at public outcry and sell within legal hours (being between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.), at the front door of the County Courthouse at 152 Main St., Bay St. Louis,

MS, to the highest and best bidder for cash or certified funds the following described property situated in Hancock County, State of Mississippi, to-wit:
The following described property: Lots 21, 22, 23 and 24, Block 14, Vondrozowsky's Second Addition Subdivision, City of Waveland, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per the official plat on record at the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.
Assessor's Parcel Number: 162B-0-03-036.001
I WILL CONVEY only such title as vested in me as Substituted Trustee.
LLG MS LLC
SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE
LOGS Legal Group LLP
1080 River Oaks Drive, Suite B-202
Flowood, MS 39232
(601) 981-9299
1111 Ryan Street
Waveland, MS 39576
22-027965
Publication Dates: July 27, August 3, August 10, August 17 and August 24, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CAUSE NO.:23-223-MA
NANCY JEAN SAVAGE, DECEASED
LUKE ROWELL, PETITIONER
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 14th day of June, 2023, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the Estate of Nancy Jean Savage, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for probate and registration according to law within ninety (90) days from this date, or they will be forever barred.
THIS 27th day of July, 2023.
s/LUKE ROWELL
PUBLISH: July 27, 2023, August 3, 2023 and August 10, 2023

Final Notice and Public Explanation of a Proposed Activity in a Wetland
To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals
This is to give notice that the Hancock County Board of Supervisors (HCBOS) and Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission (HCPHC) have conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded under the Katrina Supplemental Community Development Block Grant (KCSDBG) Program through the Mississippi Development Authority under Subgrant Number R109-023-07-KCR. The proposed project(s) is located at 14061 Fred and Al Key Road in Kiln, Hancock County, Mississippi. The proposed activity will: encompass the rehabilitation of an existing 12,500-square-foot (SF) aircraft packaging hanger. Additional improvements include the construction of a 150-foot (ft) by 50-ft concrete apron; rehabilitation/construction of a 290-ft by 20-ft access road; rehabilitation/construction of a 75-ft by 25-ft access drive; construction of an 800 SF paved parking lot, and the cleaning and shaping of the two ditches to ensure positive drainage. A wetland delineation was performed on February 13, 2023. Based on the field delineation, the proposed project will impact 0.49 acres of wetlands. HCBOS and HCPHC have considered the following alternatives and mitigation measures to be taken to minimize adverse impacts and to restore and preserve natural and beneficial values: (i)The action must take place in a wetland, as the primary function of the project is to rehabilitate and improve an existing aircraft packaging hangar. Improvements necessary to utilize the existing facility for its intended purpose will impact nearby wetlands. (ii)Alternatives considered included (a) No Action, which was not selected because the existing facility cannot be utilized to its full potential in the current condition; and (b) Selection of an alternate site, which was not selected because improvement of an existing facility is more fiscally responsible than construction of a new facility on a greenfield site; furthermore, the project is functionally dependent upon airstrip access, which significantly limits the number of sites available. (iii) Best management practices (BMPs) will be implemented during construction activities. Mitigation measures taken include use of existing surface drainage ditches, acceptable BMPs for erosion control, surface stormwater detention to maintain water quality, and establishment of permanent vegetation to minimize adverse impacts. HCBOS and HCPHC will comply with state and local wetland protection procedures.

HCBOS and HCPHC have reevaluated the alternatives to building in the wetland and have determined that it has no practicable alternative. Environmental files that document compliance with steps 3 through 6 of Executive Order 11990, are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk. Written comments must be received by the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission at the following address on or before Monday, August 7, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. local time: Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission, 14054 Fred & Al Key Road, Kiln, MS 39556 and 228-467-9231, Attention: Maureen Anderson, Project Manager. A full description of the project may also be reviewed during normal business hours at the address above. Comments may also be submitted via email at manderson@hcephc.ms. One Publication On: THURSDAY, JULY 27, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN RE: ESTATE OF NORMA JEAN GARRIGA, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-313-MA
SUMMONS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: HEIRS AT LAW OF NORMA JEAN GARRIGA, DECEASED
You have been made a Defendant in this suit filed in this Court by Keron G. McDaniel, Administratrix of the Estate of Norma Jean Garriga, deceased, seeking judicial declaration of the heirs at law of Norma Jean Garriga, deceased. The Defendants other than you in this action are Mark D. Garriga, Terry O. Garriga, and Thomas R. Garriga, who along with Keron G. McDaniel are alleged to be the sole heirs of the decedent. You are summoned to appear and defend against the Petition filed against you in this action at 9:00 a.m. on September 7, 2023, in the Chancery Courtroom at the Harrison County Courthouse, 1801 23rd Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi and in case of your failure to appear and defend, a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded in the Petition. You are not required to file an answer or other pleadings, but you may do so if you so desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of office, this the 18th day of July, 2023.
Timothy A. Kellar, Chancery Clerk
By: s/Cassie Tribble, D.C. 152 Main Street, Ste. A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
(228) 467-5406
Caroline E. Haas, MS Bar No. 104525
201 N. Second Street
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
T: (228) 467-6574
F: (228) 467-6575
Publish Dates: 7/27/2023; 8/3/2023; 8/10/2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF MALCOLM ERNEST BESNARD, DECEASED CAUSE NO. 23CH1:23-cv-379-JP
MALCOLM TODD BESNARD, EXECUTOR
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi on the Estate of Malcolm Ernest Besnard, Deceased, on the 14th day of July, 2023, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the said Estate to have their claims probated and registered by the Clerk of the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, within ninety (90) days from the first publication of this notice, and that failure to probate and register their claims with the Clerk within that time will forever bar the claim.
WITNESS MY SIGNATURE this the 17th day of July, 2023.
/s/ Malcolm Todd Besnard
MALCOLM TODD BESNARD, EXECUTOR OF THE ESTATE OF MALCOLM ERNEST BESNARD, DECEASED

William L. McDonough, Jr.
MSB # 2414
Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush,
P.A.
P.O. Box 10
Gulfport, MS 39502
(228) 863-6101 Telephone
wmcdonough@cctb.com
Publish: 7/27/23,8/3/23,8/10/23

**PUBLIC HEARING AN-
NOUNCEMENT**
The Hancock County office of
Pearl River Valley Opportunity,
Inc. will have a public hearing
on August 4, 2023 at 10:00 AM.
The hearing will take place at 808
Highway 90, BSL, MS 39520.
The purpose of this hearing is to
inform citizens of PRVO's intent
to apply for the 2024 Community
Services Block Grant (CSBG)
and the 2024 Low-Income Home
Energy Assistance Program
(LIHEAP). PRVO will discuss
the agency's proposal which
will include goals, objectives,
budget information, and income
guidelines. PRVO will submit
the proposal to the Mississippi
Department of Human Services
on August 31, 2023.
PUBLISH DATE: July 27, 2023

We, the officers of Café Brunet,
LLC, intend to make application
for an On-Premise Retailer permit
as provided for by the Local Op-
tion Alcoholic Beverage Control
Laws, Section 67-1-1, et seq., of
the Mississippi Code of 1972, An-
notated. If granted, such permit,
I or We, propose to operate as a
sole owner under the trade name
of Café Brunet, LLC, located at
16160 Highway 603, Suites E
& F, Kiln MS, Hancock County.
Wanda Brunet Owen, Sole Own-
er. If any person wishes to request
a hearing to object to the issuance
of this permit a request for a
hearing must be made in writing
and received by the Department
of Revenue within (15) fifteen
days from the first date this notice
was published.
Requests shall be sent to : Chief
Counsel, Legal Division, De-
partment of Revenue, P. O. Box
22828, Jackson, MS 39225.
Date of First Publication : July
27, 2023
This the 24 of July, 2023.
Publish Dates: July 27, 2023,
August 3, 2023

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
GENERAL NOTICE**
Kiln Utility and Fire District
(Owner) is requesting Bids for
the construction of the following
Project:
Equipment – Grinder Pump
Package
For the Jourdan River Shores
Sewer Improvements Project
Sealed bids for the construction
of the Project will be received at
the Kiln Utility and Fire District
Office, located at 16154 Fire De-
partment Road, Kiln, MS 39556,
until Wednesday, August 16,
2023, at 10:00 A.M. local time.
At that time, all bids received will
be publicly opened and the bid
amount read aloud.
The work included in the Contract
shall consist primarily of Con-
struction of the following items:
Supplying complete grinder pump
packages for the Jourdan River
Shores Sewer Improvements
Project.
**OBTAINING THE BIDDING
DOCUMENTS**
Information and Bidding Docu-
ments for the Project can be
found at the following designated
website:
www.phbidding.co
Plans and Specifications are being
made available via hard copy or
digital download. Plan Holders
are required to log-in or register
for an account to view or order
bid documents at www.phbidding.
co. Bid documents are non-re-
fundable and must be purchased
through the website. Questions
regarding website registration and
online orders are to contact the
Plan House at (228) 248-0181. No
partial sets of drawings or project
manuals will be issued. No con-
tract documents (hard copies or
electronic copies) will be issued
to Contractors within twenty-four
(24) hours of the time indicated
above for receiving bids.
The Issuing Office for the Bid-
ding Documents is:
Kiln Utility and Fire District
Chiniche Engineering & Sur-
veying
16154 Fire Department Road
407 Hwy 90
Kiln, MS 39556
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
Prospective Bidders may examine
the Bidding Documents at the
Issuing Office on Monday-Thurs-
day between 8:00-5:00 and Friday
8:00-12:00.
INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS
Bids must be submitted upon
the standard forms contained
within these contract documents
furnished by Engineer, noted in
the Information for Bidders. Each
bid shall be accompanied by a
Certified Check on a solvent bank
or a Bidder's Bond issued by a
Surety Company licensed to op-
erate in the State of Mississippi, in
the amount of five percent (5%)
of the total bid price, payable to
the owner as bid security. Bidders
shall also submit a current finan-
cial statement, if requested by
the Owner. The successful bidder
will be required to furnish a
Performance Bond and a Payment
Bond each in the amount of one
hundred percent (100%) of the
contract amount.
The required documents shall be
submitted in a sealed envelope
and the outside of the envelope
shall be marked plainly as: Jour-

dan River Shores Sewer System
Improvements and the Certificate
of Responsibility Number.
Bids shall be deposited with the
Kiln Utility and Fire District
Office, 16154 Fire Department
Road, Kiln, MS 39556 or for
those interested, bids can be sub-
mitted at www.phbidding.co un-
der the project page, prior to the
hour and date designated above.
No oral, telegraphic, telephon-
ic, or e-mail proposals shall be
considered. All interpretations of
drawings and specifications shall
be directed to Jason Chiniche at
Chiniche Engineering and
Surveying by email to: jason@
jjc-eng.com. An acknowledged
received copy of all Addenda
issued by the Engineer via Plan
House must be included with the
bid proposal. No bidder may
withdraw his bid within sixty (60)
days after the date of actual bid
opening without Owner's consent.
The Owner reserves the right to
reject any or all bids and to waive
any or all informalities.
All construction contracts by
the district where the amount
of the contract shall exceed Ten
Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)
shall, and construction contracts
of less than Ten Thousand Dollars
(\$10,000.00) may, be made
upon at least three (3) weeks'
public notice. Such notice shall be
published once a week for at least
three (3) consecutive weeks in at
least one (1) newspaper published
in such county or having general
circulation therein. The first
publication of such notice shall
be made not less than twenty-one
(21) days prior to the date fixed
in such notice for the receipt of
bids, and the last publication shall
be made not more than seven
(7) days prior to such date. The
notice shall state the thing to be
done and invite sealed proposals,
to be filed with the secretary
of the district, to do the work.
In all such cases, before the
notice shall be published, plans
and specifications for the work
shall be prepared by a registered
professional engineer and shall
be filed with the secretary of the
district and there remain. The
board of commissioners of the
district shall award the contract
to the lowest responsible bidder
who will comply with the terms
imposed by such commissioners
and enter into bond with sufficient
sureties to be approved by the
commissioners in such penalty
as shall be fixed by the com-
missioners: however, in no case
shall such bond be less than the
contract price, conditioned for the
prompt, proper efficient perfor-
mance of the contract. Contracts
of less than Ten Thousand Dollars
(\$10,000.00) may be negotiated;
however, the board of commis-
sioners shall invite and receive
written proposals for the work
from at least three (3) contractors
regularly engaged in the type of
work involved.
Work to be performed shall be in
accordance with all Federal, State
and Local Regulations and Codes.
Approved by the order of the Kiln
Utility and Fire District Board of
Directors, this the Wednesday,
January 11, 2023.
PUBLISH:
1st Advertisement Date: July 27,
2023
2nd Advertisement Date: August
3, 2023
3rd Advertisement Date: August
10, 2023

**SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE'S
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE
SALE**
WHEREAS, on July 29, 2005,
Norman T. Key and Donna A.
Key, husband and wife executed
a certain deed of trust to Emmett
James House or Bill R. Mc-
Laughlin, Trustee for the use and
benefit of Regions Bank d/b/a
Regions Mortgage which deed of
trust is of record in the office of
the Chancery Clerk of Hancock,
County, State of Mississippi, on
August 23, 2005, in Book Deed
of Trust 2005, Page 17222 and
modified pursuant to the Modifi-
cation recorded on April 28, 2011,
in Book Deed of Trust 2011, at
Page 7542.
WHEREAS, Regions Bank d/b/a
Regions Mortgage, the current
holder and/or assignee, substitut-
ed Halliday, Watkins & Mann,
P.C. as Trustee by instrument
recorded in the Chancery Clerk's
Office on April 11, 2023 in Book
Deed of Trust 2023, in Page 7004;
and
WHEREAS, Default having been
made in the terms and conditions
of said deed of trust and the entire
debt secured thereby having been
declared to be due and payable
in accordance with the terms of
said deed of trust, Regions Bank
d/b/a Regions Mortgage, the
legal holder of said indebtedness,
having requested the undersigned
Substitute Trustee in said deed
of trust, will on August 10, 2023
offer for sale at public outcry and
sell within legal hours (being
between the hours of 11:00 a.m.
and 4:00 p.m.), at the main front
door of the County Courthouse of
Hancock County in Bay St. Louis,
Mississippi, to the highest and
best bidder for cash the following
described property situated in
Hancock County, Mississippi, to
wit:
Lots One (1) and Two (2), Wave-
land Gardens Subdivision, Fourth
Ward, Waveland, a Subdivision
according to the official Map or
Plat thereof on file and of record
in the Office of the Chancery
Clerk of Hancock County, Missis-
sippi in Deed Book K-0 at Page
481 thereof, reference to which

is hereby made in aid of and as
part of this description. Parcel #
161D-0-02-136.000
And
Beginning at NOW Corner of Lot
2, Waveland Gardens Subdivi-
sion, thence South 45 degrees
West 100 Feet to an iron pin;
thence South 45 degrees East
159 feet to an iron pin, thence
North 45 degrees East 100 feet
to a point; thence North 45 degrees
West 159 feet to the point of
beginning; and being a part of
Lot (52), Fourth Ward, Waveland,
Hancock County, Mississippi.
Parcel 161D-0-02-146.000
More commonly known as: 515
Garden Lane, Waveland, MS
39576
I will convey only such title
as vested in me as Substituted
Trustee.
Halliday, Watkins, & Mann, P.C.
Substituted Trustee
Halliday, Watkins & Mann, P.C.
244 Inverness Center Drive, Suite
200
Birmingham, AL 35242
(801) 355-2886
Publication dates: July 13, 2023,
July 20, 2023, July 27, 2023,
August 3, 2023

**NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTE
TRUSTEE'S SALE**
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF PEARL RIVER
WHEREAS, default has occurred
in the performance of the
covenants, terms and conditions
of a Deed of Trust dated July
13, 2006, executed by KEITH
PEARSON AKA WINSTON
PEARSON conveying certain
real property therein described
to ARNOLD M. WEISS, as
Trustee, for MORTGAGE
ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION
SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMI-
NEE FOR HOMECOMINGS
FINANCIAL NETWORK INC.,
Original Beneficiary, to secure the
indebtedness therein described,
as same appears of record in the
office of the Chancery Clerk of
Pearl River County, Mississippi
filed and recorded July 17, 2006,
in Deed Book 1296, Page 92
and re-recorded in the office of
the Chancery Clerk of Hancock
County, Mississippi August 13,
2013 in Book 2013, Page 19957
(also see Order of record in Book
2019, Page 10742, Pearl River
County, and Order of record in
Book 2017, Page 9714, Hancock
County); and
WHEREAS, the beneficial
interest of said Deed of Trust
was transferred and assigned to
US BANK TRUST NATIONAL
ASSOCIATIONAS TRUSTEE
OF TIKI SERIES III TRUST; and
WHEREAS, Rubin Lublin, LLC
has been appointed as Substitute
Trustee; and
NOW, THEREFORE, the holder
of said Deed of Trust, having re-
quested the undersigned so to do,
as Substitute Trustee or his duly
appointed agent, by virtue of the
power, duty and authority vested
and imposed upon said Substitute
Trustee shall, on August 16, 2023
within the lawful hours of sale
between 11:00AM and 4:00PM
at the east front door/porch of the
Courthouse proceed to sell at pub-
lic outcry to the highest and best
bidder for cash or certified funds
ONLY, the following described
property situated in Pearl River
County, Mississippi, to wit:
PARCEL 1:
A PARCEL OF LAND LOCAT-
ED IN THE NE 1/4 OF THE
NE 1/4 AND IN THE SE 1/4 OF
THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 13,
TOWNSHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE
16 WEST, PEARL RIVER
COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, AND
MORE PARTICULARLY DE-
SCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AND BEGIN
AT A METAL PIPE FOUND
MARKING THE NE CORNER
OF THE SAID SE ¼ OF THE
NE ¼; THENCE RUN SOUTH
00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES
58 SECONDS WEST ALONG
THE EAST LINE OF THE
SAID SE ¼ OF THE NE ¼ FOR
256.59 FEET TO A METAL
PIPE FOUND; THENCE RUN
WEST FOR 511.23 FEET TO
AN IRON PIN SET; THENCE
RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 06
MINUTES 06 SECONDS WEST
FOR 767.82 FEET TO AN IRON
PIN SET; THENCE RUN EAST
FOR 511.23 FEET TO AN IRON
PIN SET ON THE EAST LINE
OF THE SAID NE ¼ OF THE
NE ¼; THENCE RUN SOUTH
00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 13
SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID
EAST LINE FOR 511.24 FEET
BACK TO THE POINT OF BE-
GINNING. SAID PARCEL CON-
TAINS 9.03 ACRES, MORE OR
LESS.
PARCEL 2:
A PARCEL OF LAND LOCAT-
ED IN THE NW ¼ OF THE NW
¼ OF SECTION 18, TOWN-
SHIP 5 SOUTH, RANGE 15
WEST, HANCOCK COUNTY,
MISSISSIPPI, AND MORE
PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED
AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AND BEGIN
AT A METAL PIPE FOUND
MARKING THE SW CORNER
OF THE SAID NW ¼ OF THE
NW ¼; THENCE RUN NORTH
00 DEGREES 19 MINUTES
13 SECONDS WEST ALONG
THE WEST LINE OF THE
SAID NW ¼ OF THE NW ¼
FOR 1,330.74 FEET TO A PINE
KNOT FOUND MARKING THE
NW CORNER OF THE SAID
NW ¼ OF THE NW ¼; THENCE
RUN SOUTH 36 DEGREES 34
MINUTES 29 SECONDS EAST
FOR 592.11 FEET TO A METAL
PIPE FOUND ON THE WEST-

ERN RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF
PREACHER POWELL ROAD;
THENCE RUN ALONG SAID
WESTERN RIGHT-OF-WAY
LINE ALONG A CURVE TO
THE LEFT FOR 690.60 FEET
TO A CONCRETE MARK-
ER FOUND; SAID CURVE
HAVING A RADIUS OF 612.93
FEET, AN INCLUDED ANGLE
OF 64 DEGREES 33 MINUTES
23 SECONDS, AND A CHORD
OF SOUTH 20 DEGREES 33
MINUTES 35 SECONDS WEST
FOR 654.65 FEET; THENCE
RUN NORTH 75 DEGREES
40 MINUTES 08 SECONDS
EAST ALONG SAID WESTERN
RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR
5.66 FEET TO A CONCRETE
MARKER FOUND; THENCE
RUN SOUTH 11 DEGREES 31
MINUTES 15 SECONDS EAST
ALONG SAID WESTERN
RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR
249.40 FEET TO AN IRON PIN
SET ON THE SOUTH LINE
OF THE SAID NW ¼ OF THE
NW ¼; THENCE RUN NORTH
89 DEGREES 45 MINUTES
31 SECONDS WEST ALONG
SAID SOUTH LINE FOR 170.77
FEET BACK TO THE POINT
OF BEGINNING. SAID PAR-
CEL CONTAINS 5.05 ACRES,
MORE OR LESS.
PARCEL 3:
A PARCEL OF LAND LOCAT-
ED IN THE NW ¼ OF THE NW
¼ OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP
5 SOUTH RANGE 15 WEST,
HANCOCK COUNTY, MIS-
SISSIPPI, AND BEING MORE
PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED
AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT A METAL
PIPE FOUND MARKING THE
SW CORNER OF THE SAID
NW ¼ OF THE NW ¼; THENCE
RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES
45 MINUTES 31 SECONDS
EAST ALONG THE SOUTH
LINE OF THE SAID NW ¼
OF THE NW ¼ FOR 246.71
FEET TO AN IRON PIN SET
ON THE EASTERN RIGHT-
OF-WAY LINE OF PREACH-
ER POWELL ROAD, SAID
POINT BEING THE POINT
OF BEGINNING; THENCE
RUN NORTH 11 DEGREES
31 MINUTES 15 SECONDS
WEST ALONG SAID EASTERN
RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE FOR
264.90 FEET TO A CONCRETE
MARKER FOUND; THENCE
RUN ALONG SAID EASTERN
RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG A
CURVE TO THE RIGHT FOR
599.79 FEET TO AN IRON PIN
SET, SAID CURVE HAVING
A RADIUS OF 532.93 FEET,
AN INCLUDED ANGLE OF
64 DEGREES 29 MINUTES 03
SECONDS, AND A CHORD
OF NORTH 20 DEGREES 26
MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST
FOR 568.63 FEET; THENCE
RUN SOUTH 36 DEGREES
20 MINUTES 05 SECONDS
EAST FOR 987.49 FEET TO A
METAL PIPE FOUND BESIDE
AN IRON PIN ON THE SOUTH
LINE OF THE SAID NW ¼
OF THE NW ¼; THENCE
RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 45
MINUTES 31 SECONDS WEST
ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE
FOR 730.71 FEET BACK TO
THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
SAID PARCEL CONTAINS 8.29
ACRES, MORE OR LESS.
PROPERTY ADDRESS: The
street address of the property is
believed to be 12674 PREACH-
ER POWELL ROAD, CARRI-
ERE, MS 39426. In the event
of any discrepancy between this
street address and the legal de-
scription of the property, the legal
description shall control.
Title to the above described
property is believed to be good,
but I will convey only such title
as is vested in me as Substitute
Trustee.
THIS LAW FIRM IS ATTEMPT-
ING TO COLLECT A DEBT.
ANY INFORMATION OB-
TAINED WILL BE USED FOR
THAT PURPOSE.
Rubin Lublin, LLC
428 North Lamar Blvd, Suite 107
Oxford, MS 38655
rslaw.com/property-listing
Tel: (877) 813-0992
Fax: (470) 508-9401
PUBLISH: 07/20/2023,
07/27/2023, 08/03/2023,
08/10/2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY,
MISSISSIPPI
IN THE MATTER OF THE
ESTATE OF
DONALD CHARLES SCAFIDI,
DECEASED NO. 23-00256-JS
APRIL SCAFIDI
PETITIONER
SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF
DONALD CHARLES SCAFIDI,
DECEASED
NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS
YOU HAVE BEEN made Defen-
dants in the Petition to Establish
Heirship filed in this Court by
April Scaffidi, to determine
heirship of DONALD CHARLES
SCAFIDI, Deceased.
YOU ARE SUMMONED TO AP-
PEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST
THE SAID COMPLAINT OR
PETITION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK
A.M., ON THE 31st DAY OF
AUGUST 2023, IN CHANCERY
COURT, IN THE HANCOCK
COUNTY COURTHOUSE, AT
BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIP-
PI, AND, IN CASE OF YOUR
FAILURE TO APPEAR AND
DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL
BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU
FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER
THINGS DEMANDED IN THE
COMPLAINT OR PETITION.

YOU ARE NOT required to file
an answer or other pleading, but
you may so do if you desire.
ISSUED UNDER MY HAND
and seal of this Court, this the 24
day of July, 2023.
TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, Chan-
cery Clerk
BY: BRIDGETTE LADNER,
D.C.
Sheehan & Ramsey, PLLC
429 Porter Avenue
Ocean Springs, MS 39564
(228) 875-0572
PUBLISH: July 27, 2023, August
3, 2023, and August 10, 2023

IN THE CHANCERY COURT
OF HANCOCK COUNTY,
MISSISSIPPI
ESTATE OF HELEN WHITE
LEIGH, DECEASED
CIVIL ACTION FILE NO. 23-cv-
00268JP
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Letters Testamentary having been
granted on the 8th day of June,
2023, by the Chancery Court of
Hancock County, Mississippi, to
the undersigned Executor of the
Estate of Helen White Leigh, De-
ceased, notice is hereby given to
all persons having claims against
this Estate to present such claims
to the Clerk of this Court for
probate and registration according
to law, within ninety (90) days
from the first publication of this
notice, or such claims will be
forever barred.
THIS, the 14th day of June, 2023.
/s/ Keith Alan Leigh
KEITH ALAN LEIGH
Executor
Estate of Helen White Leigh,
Deceased
A. M. EDWARDS, III (MBN
5478)
PHELPS DUNBAR, LLP
P. O. Box 16114
Jackson, MS 39236-6114
Tel: (601) 352-2300
eddy.edwards@phelps.com
PUBLISH DATES: JULY 27,
2023, AUGUST 3, 2023, AU-
GUST 10, 2023

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CITY OF WAVELAND
ADVERTISEMENT FOR EMPLOYMENT
THE CITY OF WAVELAND, MS IS CURRENTLY
HIRING THE FOLLOWING POSITION:

1. COMPTROLLER – Must be proficient in
governmental fund accounting and budget
preparation with experience in accounting for
multi-funded Federal & State projects and grant
programs. A degree in accounting and several
years' experience is required. CPA certification
would be a plus; must possess skills necessary for a
variety of routine and complex accounting,
financial, administrative and clerical work in
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Depository of the City in accordance with State
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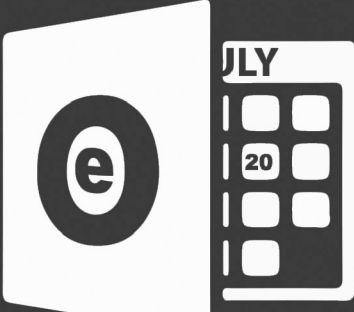
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JULY 29

- The Retrofit Community Organization will host its annual Back to School Supply Give-Away on Saturday, July 29, at the Martin Luther King Park in Bay St. Louis. from 3-5 p.m. until supplies run out. Please enter from Bookter Street and exit onto Hancock Street. One book bag per present child.

JULY 30

- Gospel Music Festival annual fundraiser with an evening of music, BBQ, dinner, and silent auction from 4 to 7 p.m. at The Camellia, located at 27360 Hwy. 603, Kiln, MS. Benefit is for Gulf Coast Christian Women’s Job Corps/Magdalene House, a non-profit located in Hancock County. The facility trains women in our community seeking workforce development skills and/or provides temporary long term housing to women in need of a more healthy, productive, and drug free

JULY 29

lifestyle after incarceration. Costs \$15 for adults and \$10 for children (ages 2-12). For tickets call Barbara Ambrose at 228-493-0504 or Diane Bennett at 228-324-6687. Visit our website for more info or to make donations at www.womenscommunitysupport.org.

AUGUST 4

- St. Rose de Lima Catholic Church Silent Auction will be held at 301 S. Necaise Ave. Antiques, furniture, art, and more may be bid upon from 4 to 7 p.m. on Aug. 4, Saturday, Aug. 5 from 1 to 7 p.m. and Sunday, August 6 from 8 a.m. to closing bids at noon.

AUGUST 8

- The Music and Fine Arts Ministry of Nativity BVM Cathedral announces the beginning of the Sixth Season of their Community Chorale: “Gloria In Excelsis.” The Community Choir program is open to any interested singer in the Di-

oceses of Biloxi and the Greater Gulf Coast Area. The Chorale will begin its sixth season on Tuesday, August 8th at 6:45 pm in the Youth Ministry Hall of the Sacred Heart Academy Center directly behind the Cathedral. Plans for the 2023-2024 Season include: John Rutter’s “Requiem”, the annual Advent Concert-Service, the annual Christmas Concert, John Stainer’s “Crucifixion”, the annual Patriotic Concert and Randal Thompson’s “Testament of Freedom”. For more information, contact Terry Maddox at 251 406-1454 &/or terrydalemaddox@gmail.com.

AUGUST 15

- Volunteers Wanted. Friends of Court is looking for volunteers advocating for children and families. Training is August 15, 16, and 17 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Must attend all classes. For more information call Jeannie Herrin at Harrison County Advocacy Center at 228-241-1837. Friends of Court is a community based program utilizing volunteers to assist all courts in monitoring vulnerable adults, supporting veterans, and protecting children. Harrison County Advocacy Center is located at 47 Maples Dr., Gulfport.

SEPTEMBER 7

- Women’s Community Support Center. Free employment skills classes beginning in August. New Nighttime classes start in September. Women’s Community Support Center, located off Hwy. 603 in Bay St. Louis is a non-profit SepChristian organization committed to helping women, from all walks of life, obtain job and life skills needed to find meaningful employment and break the cycle of poverty. The center is in need of female volunteer instructors for all class schedules daytime and nighttime. Training is available at the

SEPTEMBER 9

- The Hancock County Historical Society will present the one-act play Mercy Train: Next Stop Bay St. Louis at the Bay St. Louis Little Theatre on Sept. 9 and 10. Following the play, HCHS board member Dr. James Keating will conduct a question and answer session. There will be no admission fee, however, donations would be appreciated. The play outlines the history of Orphan Trains and features the life stories of the five children who were adopted by local families in Bay St. Louis. This project was made possible by a grant from the Missis-

OCTOBER 5

- Mopar Day in the Bay will be held in the Bay St. Louis Depot District from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Food, fun, music, and mopars. Free admission for public vehicle viewing. Free concert lineup: Joni Compretta and Baytown Groove from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the duck pond stage followed by Assumed Risk continuing from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. on the west side stage.

Disclaimer: Events featured on the calendar page are printed at no charge and space permitting. Submissions are limited to community, educational, churches and non-profit organizations. Please submit your calendar entries electronically to cassandra@seacoastecho.com.

P.E.O. Chapter U to publish cookbook

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Diamondhead P.E.O. Chapter U, along with contributions from Chapters T and Q, is pleased to announce that it is publishing a cookbook, Something’s Always Cooking in Diamondhead, as one of its major 2023 fundraisers. The book will include recipes submitted by P.E.O. members, the community, and local chefs. The goal is to have the book ready in time for the Christmas gift-giving season.

Anyone who wishes to submit a recipe may do so by logging into typensave.com, entering username Cooking-inDiamondhead, the password jelly093, and following the prompts. Submissions may be accepted until Aug. 20, 2023.

The book will be hard cover with a spiral binding and will cost \$20.

Cookbook committee co-chairs, Kim Kopman and Karla Perry, say the book will provide a great way to preserve and share beloved family recipes.

“This cookbook is a first of its kind for our community,” says Kopman. “We hope to sell so many copies that we will need to do a reprint.”

The P.E.O. Sisterhood is a U.S.-based international women’s organization of about 230,000 members, with a primary focus on providing educational opportunities for female students worldwide. The Sisterhood is headquartered in Des Moines, Iowa, with chapters throughout the United States and Can-

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prison, with 20 years suspended, leaving 25 years to serve in the custody of the Mississippi Department of Corrections, District Attorney W. Crosby Parker said in a press release.

According to Assistant District Attorney George Huffman, who prosecuted the case, Biloxi police officers responded to a verbal altercation between Marske and his father Van Leigh Marske’s employer on Sept. 8, 2021 on Seal Avenue, Parker said.

“The argument occurred in front of the victim’s house that he shared with the defendant,” Parker said. “When officers arrived, the victim’s employer and the defendant were yelling at one another. The employer had not seen the victim in five days and accused the defendant of harming him. Officers walked inside of the house and found the victim’s wallet, keys and cell phone. The victim’s truck was also parked in the back yard, but the victim was nowhere to be found. Officers could smell a foul odor coming from a work shed in the back yard.”

Marske denied knowing where his father was and told officers that he had been fishing for the last few days in Hancock County, Parker said.

“He showed officers where he had been fishing on a map,” Parker said. The defendant was also found to have small cuts all over his legs consistent with walking in tall grass. Based upon

this information, officers went to Hancock County and searched the area described by the defendant in a boat. Officers located a path that was recently created in the marsh approximately a quarter mile away from where the defendant had been fishing.”

With the use of cadaver dogs, officers were able to locate the victims’ body in a shallow grave, Parker said.

An autopsy revealed that the elder Marske died as a result of blunt trauma to his neck. At the time, the son denied any involvement in his father’s death.

“During his plea, the defendant admitted that he and his father got into a fight on the night of his murder,” Parker said. “The defendant stated that as his father lunged at him, he got him in a headlock and his father fell to the floor and died. The defendant stated that his father had two previous neck surgeries due to an injury he sustained years earlier. The defendant blamed meth use for the decision to drive his father’s body to Hancock County and bury him in the marsh.”

Before sentencing the judge reminded Marske that drugs are not a defense or excuse for killing his father, Parker said.

“This is an absolutely tragic case that is made worse by the defendant’s callous attempt at a cover up,” Parker said. “I commend the determination and tenacity of the Biloxi police officers and investigators for not giving up on the search for the victim. It is because of their hard work that we were able to hold this defendant accountable for his actions.”

PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Diamondhead will hold a public hearing on its proposed budget and proposed tax levies for Fiscal Year 2024 at 6:00 p.m. on August 15, 2023 in Council Chambers at City Hall located at 5000 Diamondhead Circle, Diamondhead, MS 39525.

The City of Diamondhead is now operating with projected total budget revenue of \$5,118,150 (60 percent) or \$3,068,500 of such revenue is obtained through ad valorem taxes. For the next fiscal year October 1, 2023 ending September 30, 2024, the proposed budget has total projected revenue of \$5,315,450. Of that amount, (56 percent) or \$2,998,000 is proposed to be financed through a total ad valorem tax levy.

The decision to not increase the ad valorem tax millage rate for Fiscal Year 2024 above the current fiscal year's ad valorem tax millage rate means you will not pay more in ad valorem taxes on your home, automobile tag, utilities, business fixtures and equipment and rental real property, unless the assessed value of your property has increased for Fiscal Year 2023.

Any citizen of the City of Diamondhead is invited to attend this public hearing on the proposed budget and tax levies for Fiscal Year 2024 and will be allowed to speak for a reasonable amount of time and offer tangible evidence before any vote is taken.

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THE SEA COAST ECHO



EARLY PICKUP

BY CPT. SONNY SCHINDLER
STAFF WRITER

I had promised my daughter and niece that I would be there on their last day at Camp Stanislaus, to pick them up. A few days before I tried to get my good friends the Marlowe’s (Kathleen and Jimmy) out fishing, but our schedules wouldn’t work. The only time I had available was a few short hours before the early summer camp pickup.

We were on a great bite, and the weather looked perfect. My wife is a big fan of the Marlowe’s as well, but she reminded me that WE better be in that pickup line at 9:00 AM sharp.

I gave the Marlowe’s the only option I had. If they got to the dock early, we could fish for about 2 hrs. This would leave us enough time to get back, and clean whatever we caught. I could drop the boat off in Lakeshore, on my way to St Stanislaus. They were perfectly fine with the stipulations. Heck, they never keep a lot of fish, and don’t like fishing in this heat. I was beginning to think we were gonna pull this off.

Kathleen and Jimmy arrived at our dock in

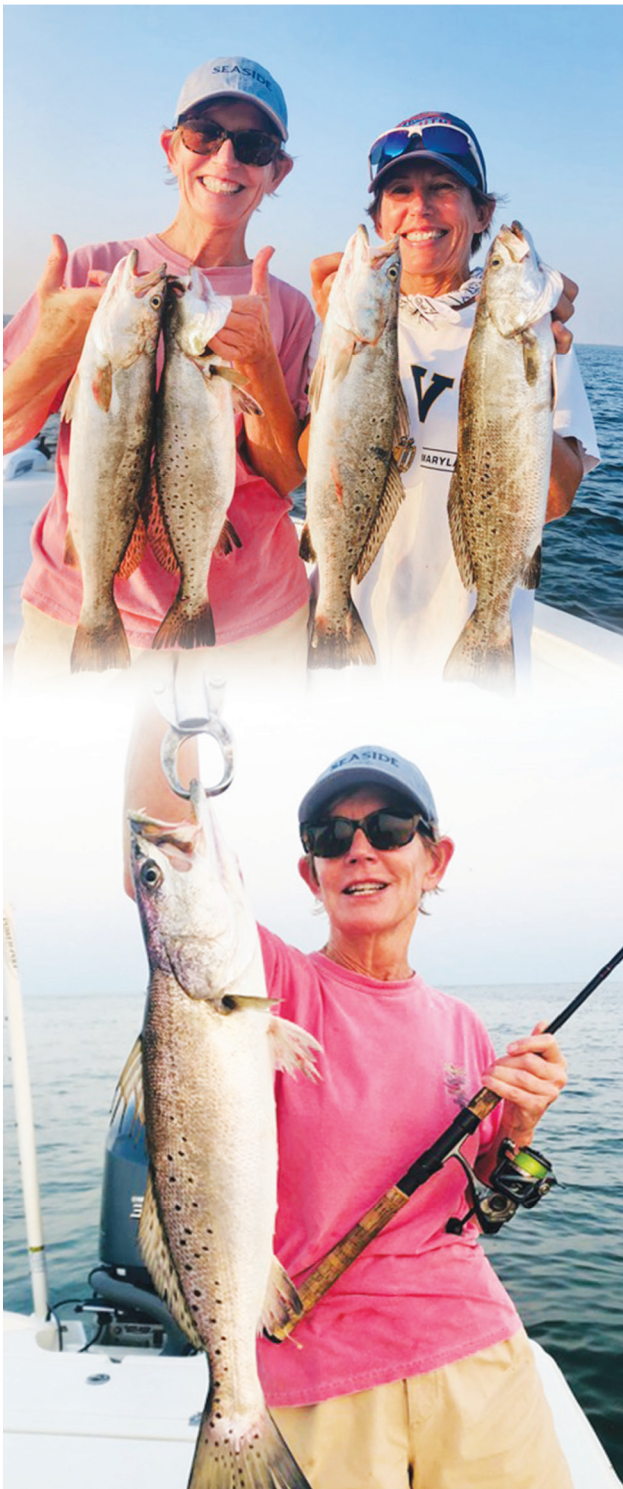


Photo courtesy of Sonny Schindler
Peg and Kathleen with several of their early morning speckled trout. • Peg with one of her many speckled trout

Bayou Caddy at 5am. Kathleen’s sister Peg

was joining us as well. She and I have fished together and we always good luck when Peg is on the boat. It was a cannonball run to the fishing grounds, in the Louisiana Marsh.

The fish had evidently gotten the memo that we were pressed for time. Birds were diving all over the reefs. Minnows and shrimp were getting smashed all around us. It was a fast and furious speckled trout bite. We probably missed way more than we caught. Of course the lady fish and catfish kept messing up our lines and the clock was ticking. I don’t think I ever caught up baiting hooks and netting big speckled trout though. Kathleen was the first to ask how many we had? I guessed somewhere between 15-20 fish. Jimmy said “that’s all we need, we’re good, let’s roll”. I gave em five more minutes as I got the boat ready for the high speed ride in. We pointed the boat north at 6:54AM.

Back at the cleaning table we had exactly 20 big trout. I cleaned as fast as I could, and thanked Jimmy, Kathleen and Peg for being so understanding about the short trip. They were thrilled with the catch, and were root-

ing for me to be there in time for the pickup. I slid the boat and trailer into the stall at The Boathouse in Lakeshore. Rinsed the salt water off everything as fast as possible, and changed into some clean clothes behind my boat.

As I parked my car

next to my wife’s car near the St Stanislaus campus, the time on my phone said exactly 9:00 AM. Just in time for

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SATURDAY 7-29-23

• Volleyball: Gulfport Jamboree (Bay High, Hancock, OLA, Pass Christian), TBD.

FRIDAY 8-4-23

• Volleyball: MHSAA Kickoff Bash in Jackson (Hancock, OLA, Pass Christian), TBD.

SATURDAY 8-5-23

• Volleyball: MHSAA Kickoff Bash in Jackson (Hancock, OLA, Pass Christian), TBD.

Biloxi Shuckers

SHUCKERS WIN SERIES AT MONTGOMERY FIRST TIME SINCE 2018

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Biloxi Shuckers traveled to Montgomery last week to take on the Biscuits in a Southern League division series and came away with their first series win in Montgomery since 2018. Biloxi won four of the six games last week for the series win.

On Tuesday, July 18, the Shuckers smacked four homeruns in a 13-6 victory. The round trippers were smacked by Lamar Sparks, Jackson Chourio, and Ethan Murray.

On Wednesday, July 19, Biloxi dropped a 9-8 decision on a walkoff single in the bottom of the ninth in-

ning. Biloxi took a 7-0 lead in the first inning only to see their lead evaporate.

On Thursday, July 20, Biloxi claimed a 9-8 win in the ninth inning when Tyler Black hit a two-run triple and Chourio singled Black home for the game winner.

On Friday, July 21, the Shuckers picked up a 6-1 victory following a two-hour rain delay. Biloxi banged out 10 hits including four home runs by Felix Valerio, Chourio, Wes Clarke, and Sparks.

On Saturday, July 22, the Shuckers won 12-7 as they scored 10 runs on seven hits in the top of the ninth inning. Jacob Misorowski made his Double-A

debut and hit 100 mph on the radar gun in the first inning. Black also



Photo courtesy of Biloxi Shuckers Baseball
Jackson Chourio zeroes in on a pitch by the Montgomery Biscuits last week.

smacked a two-run home run in the win.

On Sunday, July 23, the Shuckers fell to Montgomery in the series finale 8-7 in their second walk-off loss of the week.

The Shuckers are 45-45 on the season and return home this

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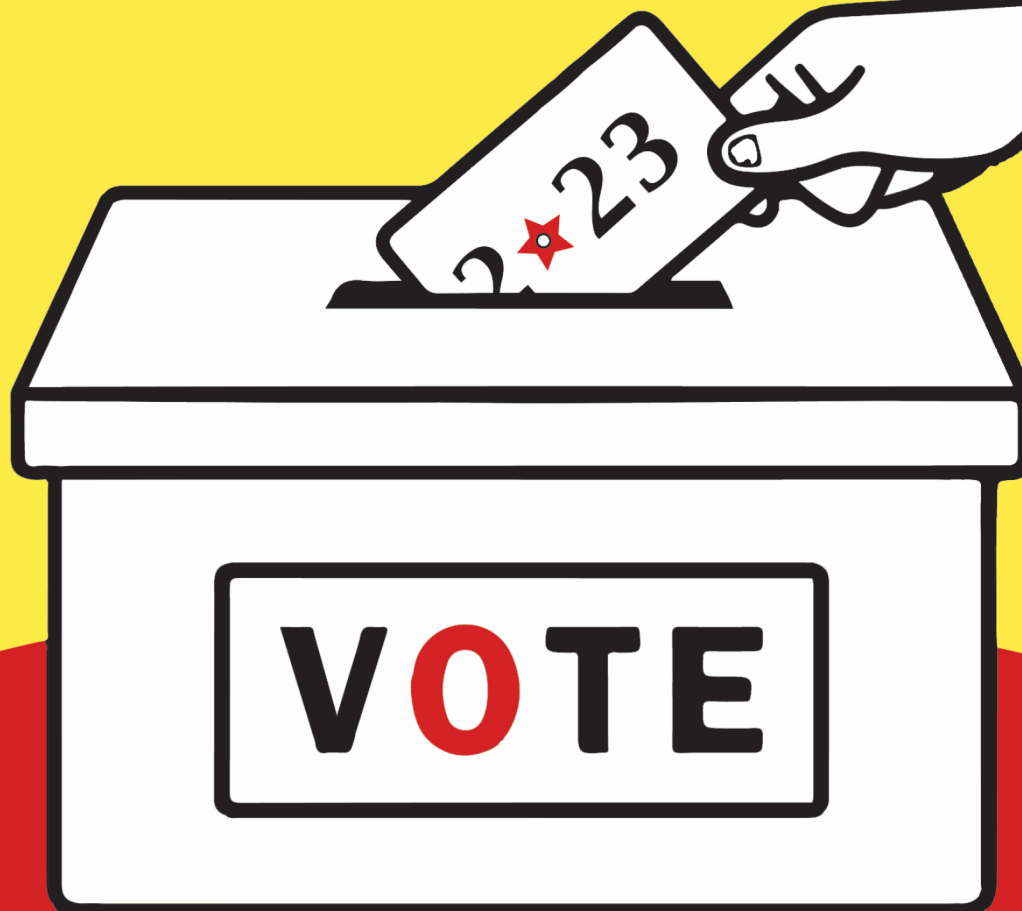
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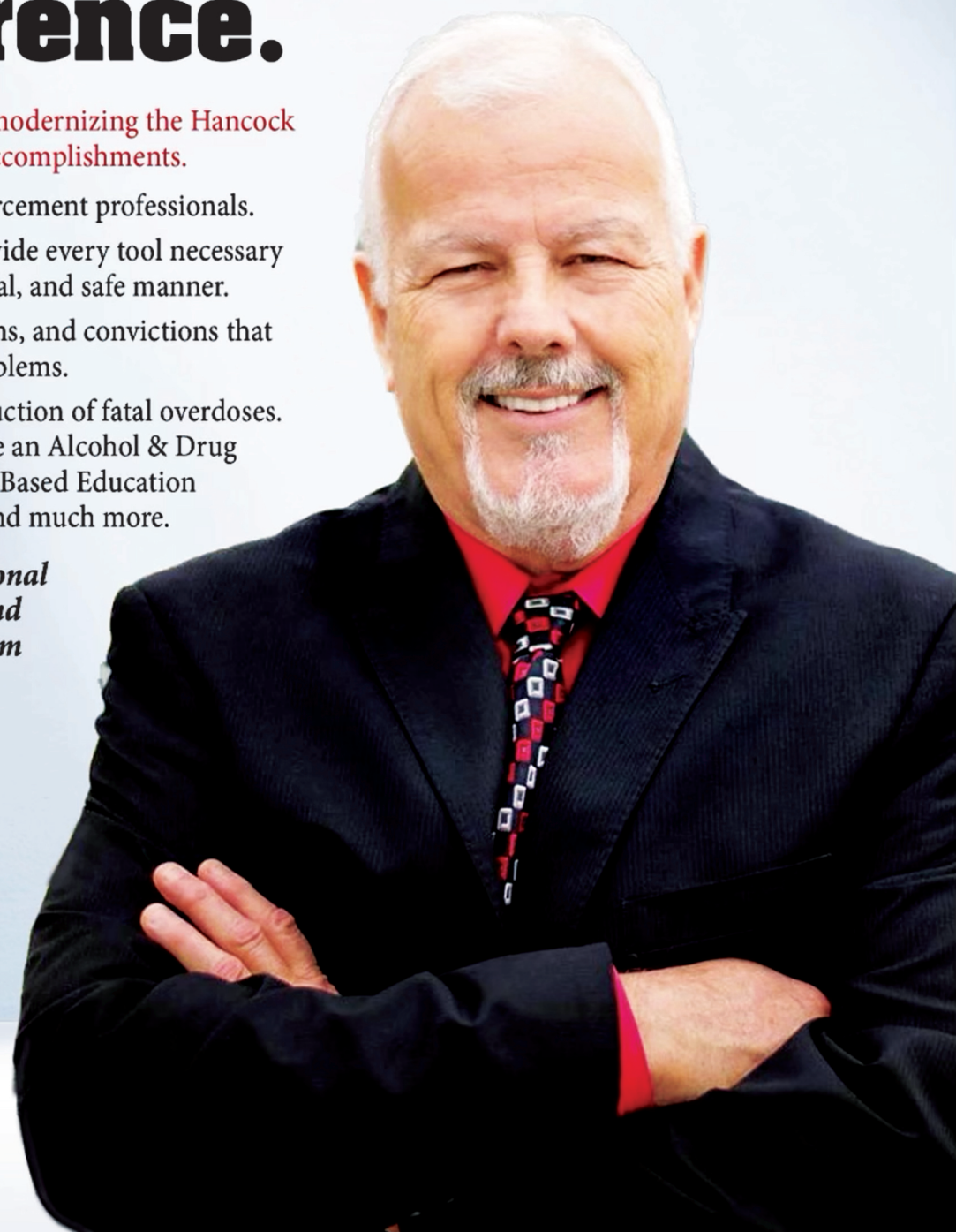
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COUNTY, DISTRICT AND STATE WIDE ELECTIONS SCHEDULED AUG . 8

BY GEOFF BELCHER
GENERAL MANAGER

The county, district and statewide primary election is scheduled for Aug. 8 — Hancock County will have a full slate of candidates for this year's Republican primary races, but only two local races will have Democratic contenders. Several current local officials will be running uncontested this year, including Hancock Circuit Clerk Kendra Ladner Necaise; Coroner Jeff Hair; Election Commissioner Dist. 4 Donna Henry; Justice Court Judge 1 Desmond W. Hoda; Supervisor District 5 Darrin "Bo" Ladner; and Tax Assessor/Collector Jimmie Ladner. Five candidates qualified for the chancery clerk's position after long-time Chancery Clerk Tim Kellar announced last year he would not be seeking reelection. The candidates are Jordan Bradford, Kodie Koenenn, JC Brignone and Tiffany Lee Cowman, all Republicans; and Henry Ward, Democrat. The only other race with a Democratic candidate is for the Supervisor Ward 1 seat, Cody Shiyou. On the Republican ticket for that race, incumbent Supervisor Theresa Ryan will face Donald Wayne Graham

and Christopher "Packer" Ladner in the primary. Candidates for other races include:

- For Constable Place 1, incumbent Terry Necaise and Danny "Boy" Hoda, both Republicans.
- Constable Place 2, Carl N. Berry III, John Ladner, Christopher Dunn Sholar and Colin Freeman, all Republicans.
- Constable Place 3, Guy "Tater" Graham, David J. Perks and incumbent Paul Taylor, all Republicans.
- Election Commissioner Dist. 2, incumbent Sam Henley and Tad Shaw, both Independents.
- Justice Court Judge 2, Williams "Bill" Covington and incumbent Brian S. Necaise, both Republicans.
- Justice Court Judge 3, incumbent Eric C. Moran, R., and Lynn T. Smith, L.
- Sheriff, incumbent Ricky Adam, Johnny R. Raffeo Jr., Channing Reynolds and Nathan "Corky" Hoda, all Republicans.
- Supervisor District 2, incumbent Greg Shaw, Chris Smith and Byron Ladner, all Republicans; and Timothy P. Stinson, Jr., Libertarian.
- Supervisor District 3, Shea Michael Ladner and Charles "Chuck" Clark, both Republicans.
- Supervisor District 4, incumbent Scotty Adam and Louis Jimmy Necaise,

Jr., both Republicans. While neither of the local Democratic candidates has any opponents, there will still be a Democratic primary this year due to the statewide races. Statewide, there are Democratic Candidates for several offices, including:

- Brandon Presley for governor.
- D. Ryan Grover for lieutenant governor.
- Shuwaski A. Young for secretary of state.
- Greta Kemp Martin for Attorney General.
- Larry Bradford for state auditor.
- Addle L. Green for state treasurer.
- Three candidates for commissioner of agriculture and commerce, including Robert "Brad" Bradford Sr., Bethany Hill and Terry Rogers II.
- Bruce Burton, commissioner of insurance.

Republican candidates for statewide primary races include:

- David Grady Hardigree, Gov. Tate Reeves and John Witcher for governor.
- Lt. Gov. Delbert Hosemann, Tiffany Longino and Chris McDaniel for lieutenant governor.
- Michael Watson is unopposed for reelection as

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**Someone who is fair and impartial
and will do what is right**

Education:

- 7 Years College Education
- 3.5 Years Pre-medical
- 4 Years Professional - Doctorate Degree
- Extensive Education in Business Law And Jurisprudence

Why I am running for Justice Court Judge?

Very simple... to serve Hancock County

I feel that being a fair and impartial judge is something that comes from a good and spiritual foundation, Raising four children is in itself a challenge, but is a great opportunity to lead and to guide kids on the right path. This can be done as a parent or a Judge as a position to guide, direct and serve our community.

SEA COAST ECHO CANDIDATE FORUM

Editor's Note: The Sea Coast sent out the same set of questions to each candidate; they are published as received. Below are the responses..

CHANCERY CLERK CANDIDATES

Jordan Bradford (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I am a graduate of St. Stanislaus and Louisiana Tech University, where I earned a Bachelor of Science in Accounting. Following that, I worked as a gen-

eral manager, where I was responsible for leading and managing a team of over 40 employees. At present, I work at Gulf Regional Planning Commission, where I am tasked with preparing meeting minutes, docket of claims, treasurer report, and presenting our budget to the Board of Commissioners. These are all duties that the Chancery Clerk has to the Board of Supervisors. Thanks to my educational background, experience, and strong leadership skills, I am confident that I possess the necessary qualities and am the most qualified candidate to be your next Chancery

Clerk. With your vote I am ready to make a difference working for you.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

My wife and I live in Bay St. Louis, specifically in the Cedar Point area. We selected this neighborhood because it's perfect for raising a family and close to our loved ones.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

We are having to replace a 28-year Chancery Clerk. As our cur-

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secretary of state.

- Lynn Fitch is unopposed for reelection as Attorney General.
- David McRae is unopposed for reelection as state treasurer.
- Andy Gipson is unopposed for reelection as commissioner of agriculture and commerce.
- Incumbent Mike Chaney will face Mitch Young for commissioner of insurance.
- Shad White is unopposed for reelection as state auditor.

• Nelson Wayne Carr will face Dane Maxwell for public service commissioner for the Southern District.

• Charles Busby is unopposed for transportation commissioner for the Southern District.

In district-wide elections:

- District Attorney W. Crosby Parker is unopposed.
- Sen. Philip Moran is running for reelection against Philman A. Ladner for District 46.
- Sen. Mike Thompson is unopposed for reelection for District 48.
- Rep. Timmy Ladner is unopposed for reelection for District 93.

• District 9 Rep. Jay McKnight is running for reelection against John M. Barnes.

• Dist. 12 Rep. Brent David Anderson is running for reelection against Micah Tinkler.

The 2023 Elections dates are as follows:

- Primary Election Day - Tuesday, Aug. 8.
- Primary Runoff Election Day - Tuesday, Aug. 29.
- General/Special Election Day - Tuesday, Nov. 7.
- General/Special Runoff Election Day - Tuesday, Nov. 28.

MICAH TINKLER FOR MARIJUANA

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AUGUST 8TH
Primary

REPUBLICAN

DISTRICT #122
For State Representative
August 8th
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rent Chancery Clerk is being replaced, we need to weigh our options carefully to choose a suitable replacement. It is my opinion that the ideal candidate should have an accounting background, strong leadership skills, and direct experience in some of the roles that the Chancery Clerk will perform. Additionally, it is crucial to elect someone who is empathetic, accessible, and attentive to your needs. Fortunately, I am proud to say that I possess all of these qualities and more.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The strength and diversity of Hancock County is truly remarkable, and it's heartwarming to see how close-knit and supportive the community is. I'm amazed by the resilience of this wonderful community and proud that we are Hancock strong.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

The elevation throughout the County, but more specifically near I-10.....

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

The financial stability of our county is largely dependent on the

Chancery Clerk's role. The County Auditor, Treasurer, and advisor to the Board of Supervisors on the county budget all fall under the purview of the Chancery Clerk. With my educational and professional background, I am equipped to ensure that we are fiscally responsible and that our tax dollars are utilized efficiently. I can assure you that I will roll up my sleeves and get to work for you to ensure that Hancock County will be financially secure.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

My proposal for the grant would be to repurpose a facility that can temporarily house Civil, Alcohol, and Drug Commitments in Hancock County. The aim is to create a comfortable and secure environment for individuals until beds become available at the appropriate treatment facilities.

Kodie Koenenn (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I am your current District 3 Supervisor. I am the previous Ward 4 City Councilman in Diamondhead. I have first-hand experience with our policies and procedures, as well as the proven ability to interpret County budgets,

be fiscally responsible, and make difficult decisions in a governmental office. I trust that my 7 years of knowledge and insight of the office have me well prepared and qualified for this position. As the only candidate with governmental experience, I pledge to continue the quality of service you have come to trust and expect of your Chancery Clerk with professionalism, accountability and exceptional delivery.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I am a lifelong resident of Hancock County. My family and I live in the city of Diamondhead. It is a safe, family-friendly, and convenient community. My wife, Stephanie, and I have raised our two children, Makelsie and Kaison, here for the last 16 years. With multiple generations of family that reside here, I have immediate and extended relatives from every corner of Hancock County. While my family and I live in Diamondhead, Hancock County is my home.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

As a resident and current elected leader of Hancock County, I have been tasked with facing and solving issues for our community over the last 6 years. Though the chancery clerk position may not be directly responsible for solving the number one issue

facing our county, as your District 3 Supervisor, I am continuing to identify and work on all issues. By collaborating with our colleagues, department heads, and local and state officials, it is imperative that we work on updating laws, ordinances, policies, and procedures that impact housing, insurance, flood plain, buffer zone and development to continue improving our way of life and preparing for our future.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

While there are many things that I appreciate about being a resident of Hancock County, what I love most is our

people. We come together in times of need. We sacrifice hours/days volunteering, donating, doing whatever it is we can to help. I am proud of our people. As I've mentioned before, I have a servant's heart, and this simply reassures my dedication to my current public service and something I want to continue for many years to come. My friends, family, public service and life experiences make me want to serve the residents of Hancock County and become your next Chancery Clerk.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

I am very proud of

the growth of Hancock County over the last several years. There are some amazing POSITIVE CHANGES coming to Hancock County including the Master Arena Plan we, the Board of Supervisors, have been developing through this current term, as well as our Port & Harbor who just recently, at our Midyear Meeting, announced a new manufacturer to our community, Point Eight Power, creating 78 new jobs, a new airport tenant Skydwell, the development of Pearl River Community

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CHUCK CLARK
SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3

"EXPERIENCE YOU CAN TRUST"

CHUCK CLARK IS:

- A family man.
- A resident of Hancock County since 1976.
- Active in the community.

VISION

- Work to grow Hancock County for the future focusing on a Comprehensive Stormwater Plan, Economic Growth and Tourism.

EXPERIENCE

- Diamondhead Councilman, 3 YRS.
- Rouse's, Store Director, Manager 15 YRS.
- Previous Business Owner, Exterior Motives

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College Aviation Aerospace Workforce Academy, and so much more. This is just a glimpse of the changes coming to Hancock County, but we are changing in the right direction!

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

If elected to the new position of Chancery Clerk, it is important that we continue the financial stability we have been able to achieve over the last 7 years. As county Auditor, Recorder, Treasurer, and Clerk to the Board of Supervisors, I will continue to work closely with the Board on preparing and adopting our balanced budget. The better our local economy thrives, the firmer our financial footing will be. It is important that we understand that the Chancery office operates on a budget that is reliant on the fees and services rendered to the office. Therefore, I will be fiscally responsible by maintaining my fiduciary responsibility to the citizens.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

If I, in conjunction with the county, received a 1 million dollar grant to use any way we wanted, I would have to point out that one million dollars does not go very far in city or county government. With that said, I would take the million dollar grant and use it as local match money to leverage more funds by having a 10% match. If we submit a site ready project with our match funding to

be considered, we will have a greater impact on our county and our residents if we secure the funds and are awarded the project. I will continue to serve the people to the best of my abilities and make decisions in their best interest.

JC Brignone (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

After graduating from Saint Stanislaus, I went on to earn a Bachelor of Science with a Minor in Business from Mississippi State University. I played football professionally in the NFL before my wife and I returned home to Bay Saint Louis to launch our financial services business. We have been successful over the last 12 years as fully licensed representatives, financial record keepers and portfolio managers. Guiding and educating clients on financial goals, leading a team of professionals, and managing financial ledgers for over 8000 clients has allowed me to develop a high level understanding of the private sector side of the Chancery Clerk's office. My current role has prepared me not only to understand the processes, accounting, and paperwork involved in every transaction, but also in providing top tier customer service, which translates directly to serving the citizens of Hancock County.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

My family and I chose to live in Bay St. Louis, on Ninth St. between Suebe and Turner St. Having 4 young children, we wanted to find somewhere for them to en-

joy the same Bay Saint Louis that we did growing up. This area is thriving with young families and also with retirees. We feel comfortable allowing them to ride bikes, play outside, and go exploring to meet friends.

Having my in-laws' 10 grandchildren living within a few minutes from each other was very important to my wife and me. Having lost both of my parents as a young adult, keeping family close and leaning on the support and wisdom of our elders is integral in raising my children.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

When coming into a leadership role, you have to acknowledge those in your community who are struggling, the undereducated and underemployed. One of the biggest things we can do is look for ways to lift these individuals up through community structure, well-funded and locally managed social programs, opportunities for continued education, and youth athletics. We can continue to be thoughtful about development and elect qualified leaders to important offices. We can make sure our communities are attractive, have good infrastructure, and that we promote an educated workforce to attract continued business growth which supports our tax base and government resources.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

In this county, there is a unique sense of Community and Closeness. The people of Hancock County love to serve each other, and we have a wonderful quality of life with

access to waterfronts and rural land. We also have a rich history and have overcome extreme disasters while continuing to attract new business and industry. I love the resilience of our communities and the quality of life we enjoy along with the exciting new business and industry growth.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

My wife and I started a business here and are raising our children here for a reason. There is something about this community that you can't get anywhere else. Hancock County has so much diversity along with generational communities that stick together, and we love that. There is a lot of potential in this County, and I hope to be a part of improving the quality of leadership in local government, identify county services that need to be modernized, and weigh in on infrastructure and community planning with respect to maintaining a good quality of life and foundation for business growth.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Serving as Chancery Clerk I would first make sure the office is running at its best for the county, checking the efficiency of the processes in office and in the courts. Next, I will see to it that the land redemption forms, financials, and other paperwork that pass through the Chancery Clerk's office are audited and processed timely and correctly. Finally, I will ensure the team in the office is supported with the necessary tools to do their job and that they stay current with technology that could help the office

with efficiency and budget.

In the office of the Chancery Clerk particularly, we need to take a close look at our land records, update the database to be more easily accessible and searchable and send notifications for deed transfers in efforts to reduce fraud, especially to protect the elderly who are targets for fraudulent land transfers.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

As President of the Bay Youth Sports League for the past 5 years, it's no secret that I am passionate about youth sports. We are lacking in funds for sports programs through the county and must rely on local businesses to provide sponsorships. While our business community always steps up, it would be great to have a consistent source of funding such as an endowment. Our children need new and/or updated facilities to be used for recreation and allow them places to spend their free time year round. Youth sports provides opportunities for children to learn discipline, mental strength, and exercise along with opening up the potential for scholarship opportunities. When we look at any investment in the future of our County, we need to look at our children and ensure that every child has the opportunity to explore athletics.

Tiffany Lee Cowman (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to

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your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I have achieved my bachelor's degree in mathematics, master's degree in leadership, and I have completed my Doctorate program of study and working on my dissertation in Curriculum and Instruction. My professional background includes managing businesses such as Dolly's Quick Stop, KL Homes, KL Construction, On Time Shipping LLC, and Premier Designs. I also held various jobs during college at Hancock Bank, Jody's Bakery, Dominos Pizza, and Eckerd's Drugstore. After receiving my bachelor's degree, I began my 15-year career as an educator in Hancock County. While teaching full time, I held part time jobs at Hollywood Casino, Dance Expressions, private math tutoring, and Brushstrokes paint parties.

In each of these positions, I have acquired skills and knowledge that affords me the experience to execute the duties of the Chancery Clerk with precision. My knowledge of business, property, finances, people, and effective communication are essential and encompass all the facets of the Chancery Clerk's multitude of responsibilities.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I married Josh Cowman in October of 2006. This was the year after Hurricane Katrina and finding land to build on in Hancock County was challenging. We were able to buy our first 1-acre parcel in the Kiln where we

lived for 7 years. During that time, I continued to look for more acreage. I wrote letters to community members who had wooded property in hopes that someone would sell me their land. After two years of letter writing, we finally purchased our second piece of property, 4 acres in the Jordan River Ranchettes community. A year after living on that property, we were given the opportunity to purchase adjoining land. This is where we live today. Our dream came true through hard work, determination, and communication.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Specific to the Chancery Clerk position, I believe that improvements can be made to the follow through for citizens that participate in drug rehabilitation and mental illness treatments. As a witness to both failed and successful stories of rehabilitation, I believe that providing support after treatment is essential to successful rehabilitation.

This issue was brought to light through my interactions with members of our county through my political campaign. The conversation of need in this area arose in all areas of the county, top to bottom. This is a growing concern for our community, and it is important to address it now before it becomes an issue that is harder and more expensive to address.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

I have been fortunate to teach in our county for 15 years. I have students that are in their 30's now. I absolutely love all my "babies". I

am so passionate about our people, and I am invested in watching our youth thrive and reach goals. My favorite part of our home is the people that live here. We have a large population of selfless and giving individuals. The gracious offering of business spaces for fundraisers, the time devoted by organizations to benefit scholarships, people in need, and non-profit organizations, the silent donations that people give, and the kind words and hugs that we share in passing are just a few of the reasons that people are drawn to our communities and our county.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Hancock County has many private groups and non-profit organizations that aim to help our citizens. I have met many people seeking to help family members through hard times and I have suggested reaching out to these organizations. I believe that we have a disconnect in awareness between what our county has to offer and those who need those services. I aim to communicate more thoroughly, throughout the county, these services so that people seeking help can find it more readily.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

The office of Chancery Clerk works as its own business funded through fees associated with document filings and other clerical costs. In comparison to other state chancery offices, Hancock County fees are significantly lower, yet the office can pay all the employees, purchase office supplies, and still render a large overage to the county at the end of the fiscal

year.

The only way that this office could contribute more to the county in a financial setting would be to increase fees for the public. I do not feel that an increase in fees is the best way to serve our community when we are already rendering more money than we use within the chancery office.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would invest in our children. Prior to embarking on my own agenda, I would assemble a team consisting of teachers, police officers, CASA members, Boys and Girls Club volunteers, student representatives, and other organizations that work directly with children in some capacity. We would identify specific needs to target whether it be increased extra-curricular activities to reduce violent and destructive behavior, social programs to address depression, early education to promote basic skills, or childcare so that parents can join the workforce.

Whatever the committee thought would best serve the community, we would establish programs with the initial million dollars and continue to write grants and fundraise to support the longevity of our program. The children are the future, and we need to invest in them.

Henry Ward (D) is running unopposed in the Democratic Primary.

CIRCUIT CLERK CANDIDATES

Kendra "KK" Ladner Ne-

caise (R) is running unopposed and did not participate in this forum.

CONSTABLE PLACE 1 CANDIDATES

Terry Necaise (R)

Danny "Boy" Hoda (R)

Editor's Note: Neither candidate responded to the forum.

CONSTABLE PLACE 2 CANDIDATES

Carl N. Berry III (R)

John Ladner (R)

Christopher Dunn Sholar (R)

Colin Freeman (R)

Editor's Note: None of the candidates for this race responded to the forum.

CONSTABLE PLACE 3 CANDIDATES

Guy "Tater" Graham (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I studied Criminal Justice at Pearl River Community College as well as USM. Having studied this field and along with my current position with the Hancock County Sheriff's office Jail Division, where I work alongside with the courts and many other law enforcement agencies from all over provides me the knowledge I need to be your next Constable Place 3.

2. What neighborhood do you

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live and why?

I was born and raised in the Lakeshore community of Hancock county. I choose to live here because the people, not only in this area, are very close knit and always lends a helping hand for their neighbors and is always looking out for one another. Also, this area of Hancock County is only minutes from the Gulf of Mexico where I love to fish, crab, or just take a drive down the beach and enjoy the beautiful sunrises and sunsets.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

I feel the number one issue Hancock County is facing is crime in all the communities. If elected as Constable Place 3, I would do everything in my power to make myself seen throughout the communities and try to stop any criminal activities that I may encounter. I would work closely with all law enforcement agencies and assist them as added patrol to help try to lower crime on our streets so our families and children can feel safer. For all agencies and communities have to work together and even try to implement community watch groups. And then hold our criminals to stiffer penalties.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

I not only like Hancock County, I love Hancock County! I feel this way because Hancock County has always been a friendly close

knit community. You are given all opportunity to meet and get to know, almost if not all residents. When one person hurts or is in need, the whole county comes forward as one and does everything in their power to help.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

I love Hancock County as a whole, but our county would be so much more beautiful if we would clean up blighted property, especially Highway 90. We need to make businesses and other property owners accountable for their exterior appearances. Also, I would love to see the highways get the much needed attention year round.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Even though the position I am seeking as you next constable place 3, I really would not play a role in putting the county on a firmer financial footing. But, if I could be part of this I would want to evaluate all needs for the county on an annual basis. I would also only allow what is absolutely necessary for our county. Spending money for things that may not be an absolute need, needs to be cut out. I would also make sure money is always put aside in an emergency fund for unforeseen circumstances as we saw when Covid hit our area.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would want to apply this money where it needs to be; youth and drug rehab. I would like to build a recreational facility to help our youth get off the streets and try to get them involved with youth programs the fa-

cility could host. Our youth has been left with not many options to do in our communities so many turn to drugs or crimes that then leads to death of innocent individuals. Our communities need to become involved with our youth if we want to be successful in turning many away from drugs and crime. I would also love to build a small rehabilitation center for adults and juveniles and get them the help they need. These are serious issues staring us in the face and we need solutions and I am willing to try this if I can change someone's life.

David J. Perks (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I've dedicated a large portion of my life to helping those in need by holding numerous work and volunteer positions in the public service field which I believe will strongly impact and benefit my performance if elected to office.

For most of my life I was fortunate to be immersed in a culture where I was able to assist officials and the public in a variety of ways. For over 25 years, I've honorably served as a volunteer firefighter in Hancock County working my way up the ranks to Assistance Chief. I've also previously worked in the policing and bail bonds industries including assisting law enforcement as a fugitive recovery agent apprehending fugitives who violate their conditions for release or fail to appear for court. These jobs were uniquely rewarding careers within the criminal

justice system that typically had me performing duties such as running background checks, conducting surveillance and bonding out or arresting individuals. I also conducted work as a process server. My past experiences have more than prepared me for the job working well with people of all aspects within the field.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I truly consider myself an all around citizen of Hancock County however I proudly call Bayside Park home not just because I'm a resident there but for many different reasons.

As many of you may know, Bayside Park is a low-income community filled with many families struggling daily just to make ends meet. What you may not know is the strengths and potentials many of the individuals who live there hold. As a public servant I am constantly looking for ways to provide the community with further assistance to education, work, and children's activities. If you give me the chance to serve your community further, I hope to bring more people together to tackle the most pressing challenges by investing my time in effective programs and services in one of Hancock County's most complex and underserved low-income communities.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

It's no secret that drugs are wreaking havoc on our community just as many others around the nation. I hope to help combat the growing issue by encouraging others to take part in building children's clubs, hobbies, and

sports associations. It's past time to give our children back something more positive to look forward to and do.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

That's easy! The people of Hancock County have always been truly unique and remarkable in character and Hancock County has always come out on top when navigating its own identity with some of the most loved historical traditions and tasty southern cuisines.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Besides better roads and bridges, I would love more than anything to bring back more positive children's clubs and other activities.

6. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would split the grand opportunity into two. I would first use a portion for beautification of our beloved town. I would then implement more educational and entrepreneur programs to help those who want to help themselves ultimately providing us with a bigger and brighter future.

Paul Taylor (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

Career police officer and currently hold the position of constable place 3.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in Waveland and have lived in Waveland for

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over 30 years. The area I live in is called the gateway subdivision where Margie St., Rue de Lassalle, Sycamore and Hogan meet.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

I would like to see Hancock county clean itself up. We have a vagrant issue. We have major issues where drugs are concerned. We have issues with youth getting into trouble because there is nothing here for them to do. We have buildings everywhere that either need to be repaired or torn down.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

Even though Hancock county isn't that small, you get that small town feel where everyone knows everybody. And when something major happens, the whole county comes together as one.

7.If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would like the county to pay for our constable vehicle and pay out portion of state retirement and benefits.

CORONER CANDIDATES

Jeff Hair (R) is running unopposed and did not participate in this forum.

ELECTION COMMISSIONER DIST. 2 CANDIDATES

Sam Henley (I) declined to participate in this forum.

Tad Shaw (I)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I hold a bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Mississippi and a master's degree from Arkansas State University. My professional background consists of seventeen years in public education. First as a classroom teacher and now as director of transportation for one of the largest school districts in Mississippi. I have over 10 years of experience in management, training, budgeting, and regulation compliance. My experience in these areas will allow me to effectively facilitate and execute the responsibilities of election commissioner.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I am a lifelong resident of the Necaie Crossing community where I am deeply rooted. My family and I are greatly blessed to belong to one of the many great communities in Hancock County.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

From an election's standpoint, voter turnout is a significant issue. I would like to increase voter turnout through various education and awareness campaigns and initiatives.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

What I love most about life in Hancock County is the enduring culture of strong, tra-

ditional family values that make it a wonderful place to live and raise children.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Returning to the issue of voter participation, I would like to see a significant increase in voter turnout and registration.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would like to see the grant money go towards assisting the children in our community who are displaced and in foster care.

ELECTION COMMISSIONER DIST. 4 CANDIDATES

Donna Henry (I) is running unopposed and did not participate in this forum.

JUSTICE COURT JUDGE 1 CANDIDATES

Desmond W. Hoda (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

• As a chiropractor for 30 + years in Hancock County, I see and treat individuals from all walks of life, ethnicities, and socioeconomic backgrounds. I have developed relationships and been able to hear and sympathize with the issues that they feel are important in our community. My professional career has allowed me to, not only improve my patient's physical wellbeing, but also be more aware and empathetic to the needs of the community that I treat and preside over as a

justice court judge.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

• My family has been a part of the Dedeaux Community for many, many years. Before then, growing up just off Hwy 603. I have called Hancock County home for the entirety my lifetime because it is the only place that I wanted to raise my four children, start a thriving Chiropractic Clinic, and serve the people as a justice court judge. Now I get to pass that same love for my community down to my grandchildren as well.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

• Housing! There is an incredible need for affordable housing for middle income and low-income households. Also, infrastructure and drainage is a growing problem as Hurricane Katrina highlighted for us in 2005.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

• The first thing that comes to mind must be community. Over the years through storm devastation, sickness, death, and a myriad of other issues, over and over this community shows up willing to do whatever they can to lend a hand. The way this county has and continues to rally around those in need. The people here are so selfless and caring it makes you proud to say you're from Hancock County.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

• Rather than change, I think one thing that the county could benefit from would be investing in our

youth with outreach programs. Also, working to help our youth understand what type of public service opportunities there are out there. I love speaking at schools and hearing what different types of questions the kids ask about our judicial system. I think the greatest value that we can add to our county is growing the minds of the future leaders of our community.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

• This does not apply to my position as a Justice Court Judge. However, I feel it would be beneficial to invest in vocational and technical training for younger adults who may not wish to or be able to afford going to college.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

• Invest into our education systems and vo-tech curriculums, as trades are becoming more and more important to our community with fewer and fewer individuals entering those fields.

JUSTICE COURT JUDGE 2 CANDIDATES

William "Bill" Covington (R)

1.What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I have a degree in criminal justice from the University of Alabama and a law degree from Oklahoma City Univer-

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sity. I have been a practicing attorney for over 26 years in both civil and criminal law, plus I have extensive experience in law enforcement, from patrol officer to division commander to assistant district attorney. I have served as a police academy instructor in constitutional law, civil liability, and other topics. With 30 years of courtroom experience in virtually every type of case, both prosecution and defense, I intend to use that vast experience on the bench to raise the levels of competence, professionalism, and public trust in our justice court system.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in Diamondhead with my wife, Joy. I am a life-long coast resident but originally moved to Diamondhead in 2004 because it is a quiet residential community within a short distance of larger cities, airports, and professional hubs that are vital to my practice as an attorney.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Like many other counties, the number one issue facing ours right now is rampant drug crime. From misdemeanor theft to shootings to robberies, nearly all of these have a nexus to drug crime in some respect. And they all inhibit success and growth in our economy. Making a major dent in the drug problem has been proven to prompt similar reductions in all types of crime, including domestic violence, theft, and assaults.

Soft action on enforcement, bonding decisions, and sentencing directly contribute to recidivism, which only continues the cycle.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

Hancock County offers a laid back friendly atmosphere but with many options and attractions commonly found only in bigger cities or tourist destinations that have lost their hometown character. I believe the county is properly embracing growth so as to maintain this balance that is a major benefit to living here.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

If I could change one thing about Hancock County, it would be for citizens to become more involved in learning about current issues that have the potential to affect all of us. If that were to be the case, the result would be that we all play more of a direct role in determining the future of our county and individual communities.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Judges rarely play any role in contributing to the success or failure of local fiscal policy. That is specifically the job of the executive and legislative branches of government. Thus, this question is more properly asked of candidates running for those positions.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

As I previously stated, I believe the biggest problem facing our county is the epidemic of illicit drugs and the crime that is created as a

natural result of drug sales, use, and addiction. Like other jurisdictions, we have a very serious lack of treatment programs available to address the root cause of this problem. I think the most wise use of a \$1M grant would be to fund certain of these programs that could be used as sentencing and probation options. It is a proven strategy that, if properly implemented, would directly contribute to savings of law enforcement resources, reductions in property crime, and lower rates of children in the custody of the state due to parents being caught in the cycle of drug addiction.

Brian S. Necaise (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I graduated from Bay Sr. High School in 1992. As for past experience, I have over 25 years working in different areas of the hospitality industry, and for the past six years I am a licensed Realtor with John McDonald Realty. When I was elected, I had to attend Ole Miss Judicial College to obtain accreditation. After receiving the accreditation, I had to acquire several hundred hours of continued education to keep me updated on law changes that applies to Justice Court. Most of my life my passion has been working with people to establish goals and provide results. I apply this same passion to Justice Court by following the laws in order to provide the fairest outcome to those who appear in front of me, by making fair rulings.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in the North Bay area in Westwood Village in Bay Saint Louis. This is the area I have called home for over 40 years. I love living in Hancock County and proud to raise my two daughters here as well.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

I feel mental illness, and illegal drugs are both a huge issue that not only Hancock County, but the whole nation is presently facing. As a Justice Court Judge, I strive to get the people the help that is allowed by law. I often make it part of their probation to attend a rehab facility, or place them on supervised probation where they are subject to random drug screens.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

What I love most is that small town feeling that Hancock County provides. Although it is small it still offers a lot of options bigger counties offer but without the major issues that follow.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Once again, I don't feel this is just a Hancock County issue. I would love to see more organized positive activities to keep the youth of our county engaged.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

This question doesn't apply to the Justice Court position.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

If I were to receive the

grant, the top three priorities I would address would be drugs, mental issues, and positive programs for our youth. Doing this would strengthen the future of Hancock County for all residents

JUSTICE COURT JUDGE 3 CANDIDATES

Eric C. Moran, Sr. (R) is running unopposed on the Republican ticket.

Lynn T. Smith (L)

My name is Lynn T. Smith and I am running for Hancock County Justice Court Judge Place 3

I attended George Walton Comprehensive High School, Marietta, GA

Studied Commercial Art and History at University of Georgia .

Attended Watkins Institute, Nashville, TN towards an Associates Degree in Fine Arts.

From 1986 to 2005 I worked as a Sous Chef and/or Chef at various venues. I have been in service to my community as a volunteer since 2013 working at WQRZ-103.5 FM/WQRG-96.3 FM which is part of the Hancock County Amateur Radio Association, Incorporated (HCARA, INC). I serve as Administrative Assistant where my duties included radio operations, air shifts, marketing, alerting our listeners of hazards when we have inclement weather, and many other activities. In 2014 I became a Ham Radio operator, my handle is KG5CNJ.

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I have receive many hours of ECU certifications from FEMA's Incident Command System (ICS) to further my education to serve my community as a volunteer at the Hancock County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) during bad weather, tropical storms/hurricanes or any other crisis within the Radio Room at the Hancock County Emergency Operation Center (EOC). I also run/assist at our county's Cold Weather Shelter and/or Safe Room. I am a hard worker as a volunteer to our community and have been for ten years. I volunteer for the (HCARA, INC) because I want to help protect life, health and property. As your Justice Court Judge Place 3, I will do my best having a strong sense of service for the citizens in my community as I do now in my volunteer service with HCARC, INC. I love my community and want folks to be safe. The laws are the laws, but I hope to bring compassion, honesty, dignity, and fairness. I am a fellow citizen and neighbor, this is my home and I will always have everyone's best interest at heart while following the laws in my decisions as your Justice Court Judge Place 3 for Hancock County, MS.

Currently I reside in Shoreline Park at the end of Indian Street. The sparse population makes it a quiet place with plenty of room and wildlife and just minutes to whatever services are needed.

What I like about Hancock County, the people here are strong, resilient, good and

kind.

In closing, I hope everyone will participate in the electoral process and get out there and vote during the Hancock County Primary and General Elections.

SHERIFF CANDIDATES

Ricky Adam (R)

1.What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

- Degree in Criminal Justice
- 10 Years Serving as Justice Court Judge
- 11 ½ Years as Sheriff of Hancock County

I continue to draw from my experience and lead the Hancock County Sheriff's Office in a positive direction.

2.What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in the Kiln and have for many years. The Kiln is home. I was raised in the Bay and love my hometown.

3.What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Really there are two things and they are intertwined. Drugs and children with guns. The use of illegal drugs is something we have seen an uptick of, just not in Hancock County but nationwide. We will continue to fight that battle every day and ensure we maintain our relationships with state and federal partners, so we do so in the most effective ways.

Children with drugs and guns has become an issue at an alarming rate. We have seen that most of these children have a lack of parental supervision. A lack of positive parental involvement causes a lack in discipline.

We have been and will continue to work with not only the courts but the schools in attempts to reach these children before they are lost to a life of crime or worse the loss of their's or someone else's life.

4.What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The people of our county are what I like the most. The diversity of our population creates a wonderful mixture of cultures.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

The lack of treatment facilities for the mentally ill and the lack of affordable long-term drug rehab. Having to house the mentally ill in a correctional facility is not a viable option, as it is difficult on the individual as well as our staff.

6.If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

1.Continue to work with and support our Board of Supervisors and Legislative Delegation to ensure we do our part in obtaining state and federal grant dollars.

2.Continue to work with the Mississippi Department of Corrections, federal agencies and other counties/municipalities in Mississippi to house their inmates. This allows us to offset the cost of operating our facility from the tax payers.

3.I will continue to advance the technology of the Sheriff's Office. This affords deputies to better serve the community in cost effective ways and ultimately improves the quality of life.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Well I would hope it was an annual grant, but I would use it to provide school resource coverage not only to the public schools but to the private schools as well. At an annual cost of approximately \$75,000.00 a year per school resource officer, this would go a long way in accomplishing that goal.

Johnny R. Raffeo, Jr., (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I have my GED, I will run the county and the department as a business!

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

Mr. Raffeo chose not to give this information.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Hancock County has a few issues, I will start with making sure all money being spent is not being wasted on unnecessary things!

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

I like the small town feel we have here in Hancock County.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Get rid of the "Good Ole Boy" system. Everyone will have to earn what they are requesting. No handouts to anyone just because of who they are or may know.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Stop the unnecessary spending, Which is the main issue in my way of thinking. So I would concentrate on that first and fore-

most.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

My first priority with this would be creating things for our youth in our community to do to help keep them off of the streets. Offer more training for our law enforcement officers. Get a grip on the crime in our community and offer some type of drug preventive/rehab options.

Channing Reynolds (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I began my law enforcement career at the Hancock County Sheriff's Office, and it is the only agency I have worked for, and I have approximately 7 years experiences, beginning as a patrol deputy and later promoting to a narcotics agent. Since the position of Sheriff is a law enforcement officer, I will use my experience to lead the Sheriff's Office in providing the level of law enforcement service it is capable of, while continuing to improve. As a current business owner, I will use the same fiscal responsibility I've learned in managing my business in managing the budget at the Sheriff's Office.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I am a current resident of Waveland. After residing in Diamondhead for the last several years, I recently sold my home there and plan to build a new home on the Jourdan River, near where I

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grew up.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

The number one issue facing Hancock County, as for law enforcement, is drug trafficking and overdoses. Stopping this disastrous activity is a top priority for me. I will restructure the Sheriff's Office to put more personnel on the streets to help combat this. I will also seek the assistance of mental health and substance abuse professionals to help those battling addiction.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

I could give a list, but I guess the short answer would be, this is my home, where I grew up and where I plan to raise my children. This is one reason why being sheriff is so important to me.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

I would change it back to how it was when I was a child. I remember leaving my house in the mornings to meet my buddies and we would ride bicycles all over the neighborhood until dark. Fast forward to today, my son is not allowed to leave the carport on his bicycle unless I am right there by his side.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

As Sheriff, I will ensure my office is a good steward of the funds provided to us by the taxpayers of this county, by operating in the most effi-

cient and fiscally responsible manner possible. Secondly, I will employ a full time grant writer/administrator to search for grants and alternate sources of funding for law enforcement programs, allowing us to stretch our budget allotments further in the service of our citizens. Lastly, I will encourage other county departments to utilize inmate labor as a means to supplement their workforce, while rehabilitating those incarcerated by teaching trades that can be used upon their release, which will contribute to our local economy and workforce.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would invest it in our youth by funding recreational facilities and programs. Our youth in this community seem to be an afterthought when it comes to funding facilities and activities for them. Without these positive outlets, delinquency and dangerous activities become more likely.

Nathan "Corky" Hoda (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I have 30 years of law-enforcement experience, and the vast majority of that time is in Hancock county. I have worked many aspects of law-enforcement, including patrol, criminal investigation, narcotics investigation, supervisor positions,

And more. I have built working relationships over the past 30 years. With the community as well as surrounding law-enforcement agencies. Working together

is the only way to combat crime.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in the Kiln area, and have all my life. My family has lived on the same land for generations. I come from a proud and humble, law-enforcement family.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

I feel the number one issue facing Hancock county right now is illicit narcotics.

We need to start by strengthening our narcotics division training them to get to the main distributors. While working hand-in-hand with the district attorneys office to prosecute offenders.

We also need more resources to help those individuals who are addicted to illicit narcotics.

In the 1990s I ran the narcotics division, under sheriff, Ronnie Peterson. Through good investigation, and working closely with Mississippi Bureau of narcotics (M.B.N.) & The United States drug enforcement administration (D.E.A.). As well as surrounding agencies. We were able to dramatically lower the amount of trafficked illicit narcotics coming into our county.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The people. Honest, hard-working salt of the Earth, people. Family oriented, kind and loving people.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

The crime rate.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Officer retention. Hancock

county pays a lot of money to have officers certified. Just to lose them to other agencies. For higher pay and better morale.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Aww, the million dollar question... I would take the money and use it to better educate our deputies. Special Training courses can be expensive but not unobtainable. I believe that knowledge is power, and education is key.

SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 1 CANDIDATES

Donald Wayne Graham (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I have almost 40 years in the construction industry both residential and commercial. I started running my first framing crew at age 23. At 42 I moved into commercial construction where I worked my way up the ladder of sheet metal and plumbing trades to become a job superintendent. I am very mathematically minded and well versed in reading and understanding things like blueprints, specifications, building codes etc. I am also experienced in communicating with engineers, architects, and contractors. I would use my knowledge to give insight to the board of Supervisors on County projects and use my ability to assess problems and find solutions in every aspect of a

supervisor's responsibilities.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in the Lakeshore community. This was a great choice for me because my location is less than 3 minutes away from the things, I enjoy doing the most, like fishing, cruising the beach and coaching youth football which is my real passion. Lakeshore is a great community with good people and a place I am proud to call home.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

I believe the number one problem in Hancock County today is drugs. The drugs coming into our communities are devastating to our youth and our family unit. I would like to work with law enforcement to discuss what can be done to get this issue under control and make the necessary changes for a better/safer Hancock County. I think it would be beneficial if we also created a drug rehabilitation facility involving vocational training, so when an individual successfully finishes the program, they can financially support themselves and become a productive member of the community.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

I would have to say, the laid-back lifestyle, friendly people and good southern food. Also, I don't know of another place that makes people feel more welcomed and at home than Hancock County. You can experience

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THERESA RYAN

SUPERVISOR ★ DISTRICT 1

RE-ELECT

- Over twenty-five years of IT Management at Stennis Space Center
- Owner of Computer Solutions LLC (Information Technology company) since 2012
- B.S. Degree in Computer Science from the University of Southern Mississippi
- Extensive management and decision-making experience with large budgets

- Improved Beach Maintenance while securing significant savings
- Implemented a \$2 Million Dollar drainage project in Bayside Park

- Worked with Mississippi Department of Transportation on engineering and design phases to repair damaged seawall on Beach Boulevard (Contract award: June 2023)
- New Playgrounds in Pearlinton & Lakeshore
- Accomplished Beach renourishment & Sea Oats replenishment
- Constructed New Pearlinton Walking Track
- Repair of Clermont Harbor pier in aftermath of hurricanes
- Securing funding for the extension of Clermont Harbor Pier
- Maintained balanced budget without millage rate increase
- Worked with Department of Environmental Quality to dredge canals and portion of Bayou Caddy
- Very responsive to all calls and texts from citizens regarding County concerns

★ QUALIFIED

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this at any of our local sporting events, festivals, community gatherings etc. Hancock County is the true definition of southern hospitality.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

I believe our beachfront is one of our most valuable attractions. People from everywhere have been visiting our beaches for decades, bringing in revenue thru shopping, vacation rentals, hotels, dining, etc. It's the one place that all guest experience when they visit our area. I would like to focus on improvements to Beach Blvd, parking areas, the seawall, and our sand beaches. Creating beach front our locals love and enjoy is sure to impress our visitors and encourage more travel into Hancock County.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

The first thing, I would do is consult with the Board of Supervisors of our current financial standing. Understanding where we are and all that is currently underway would give me the necessary insight on what could be improved and/or built upon. Based on that information I would look for ways to possibly eliminate waste, cut unnecessary costs and make improvements to increase tourism to our area.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Having a background volunteering for families and

the youth in our community. I am motivated to see family-oriented improvements. It would be great to see these types of improvements my district. Our Waveland community has a great family park with a playground, pavilion and splash pad. I would use some of the funds to do some needed renovation at the Waveland Park. I would use the majority of the funds for the other communities in my district (Pearlington, Lakeshore and Bayside Park) that don't have a playground and/or splash pad. Parks and playgrounds are a central part of family and community, and I would like to see each community in my district with a nice park.

Theresa Ryan (R)

declined to participate in this forum.

Christopher "Packer" Ladner (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I graduated from Hancock North Central High School in 1983. I have worked in the construction industry for 40 years. I believe my construction knowledge will help as a supervisor.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I have lived in the Lakeshore/Ansley Community all of my life.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

One of the major concerns is the homeless. The homeless population has grown

over the last few years. We need all leaders in our community in one room to discuss a solution.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The citizens of our county. The people of our county make it what it is! Our community will rally and support one another when needed.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Same as question #3. We need to address the homeless in our county as soon as possible.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

1) Review all county budgets.

2) Work with the Port & Harbor Commission to attract new industries/businesses.

3) Support local businesses when possible.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Several areas would be addressed with the \$1 million grant. What can we do with it for our youth? What can we do to address the homeless?

Cody W. Shiyon (D) is running unopposed on the Democrat ticket.

SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 2 CANDIDATES

Greg Shaw (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I am a lifelong Hancock

County resident and graduated from Hancock North Central High School in 1970. I worked for my family at Shaw's Supply for eight years building and repairing roads. Then I went to work for Dupont-Delisle Plant in various roles and was fortunate to retire in 2007. I have had the privilege to serve the people of District 2 as your supervisor for the last eight years. I believe my life and professional experience has allowed me the time to dedicate daily to the responsibilities and services that are expected for the last eight years. More importantly, I have focused on infrastructure, services, and transparency that is required to improve Hancock County just as we have done the last eight years.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

My family have lived off Rd. 319 for over 50 years in the Necaise/Crane Creek community of Hancock County. We had dairy farms and farmed for decades. We enjoy our land, culture, faith, and community in Hancock County.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

As Hancock County continues to be one of the fastest growing counties in Mississippi, our roads and major corridors are experiencing congestion. More importantly, the need for housing continues to increase due to the surge of secondary homeowners and vacation rentals. I think we need to continue to focus on road and safety improvements on our major corridors and evaluate zoning ordinances to encourage residential development and subdivisions for single family

homes.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

As a lifelong resident, Hancock County has a resilient and passionate community. The one thing I enjoy the most is the people and families that worship together and support each other.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Despite our growth in industry and population, our biggest challenge continues to be the floodplain and FEMA policies that hinder new development and increasing costs of flood insurance that is negatively impacting existing residents, industrial, and commercial policies.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Over the last eight years, I have worked to ensure we have minimized debt and managed our annual expenses all while working to compensate county employees annually. More importantly, we have a healthy cash reserve and have wisely spent gaming, internet sales tax, and other sources on infrastructure like roads, bridges, and recreational amenities to enhance the quality of life throughout Hancock County like McLeod Park expansion, playgrounds, boat launches, parking improvements, etc. I believe the county is financially stable and has managed our priorities well.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I believe as your District

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2 Supervisor, we still have some areas that need to be improved on our roadways, drainage, and recreation. If elected to serve you again, I will continue to work with the board on addressing these three areas.

Chris Smith (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I am a graduate of Hancock High School Class of 1995. After high school, I attended Pearl River Community College. I worked for Cuevas Machine Company going into different plants doing maintenance work for several years. Then, I worked at Calgon Carbon for three years. This gave me experience in major industries in our county. For the past 17 years, I have been the owner/operator of my own business, Smith Gravel and Trucking, LLC. From working with my company, I can see issues with road work and construction. Combined, I am able to use my knowledge to see what work needs to be done to better our community.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I am very proud to say I have lived in Necaise all my life.. Not only am I surrounded by family, but a supportive community of people who will lend a hand no matter the circumstance. I have chosen to remain here and raise my three children in this area to provide them with a great childhood like I experi-

enced. I would love for them to grow up and say they too are lifelong Hancock County residents.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

The number one issue faced by Hancock County is the drug problem. To resolve this, I would work hard to collaborate with the sheriff's department to fix it in any way possible with my position. Along with this, I want to create safer opportunities for teenagers and younger adults that struggle by working with the programs already in place and seeing where the gaps may be to create new ones.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

My personal favorite part of life in Hancock County is the sense of community built by the people within it. Everywhere you go, you run into someone and enjoy a conversation. When one is struggling, our people come together to support them. Seeing others look out for one another in this area is a great part of living here.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

If I could change one thing about this county, I would choose to make it a safer place. Our world is getting scarier every day. I want to work with other offices to ensure we are doing everything we can to protect our county from issues like drugs, sex trafficking, or any problem that proves unsafe. I care to not only fix the issues but help those in need who are stumbling.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our coun-

ty on a firmer financial footing?

If I was elected as supervisor, I would take several steps to better the financial footing of Hancock County. Step one would involve working with planning and zoning to encourage business and industry growth in our county. This would in turn create more job opportunities to bring in more money and security for people. I would also like to ensure we are looking at local companies first. It is important that we support our county by promoting and using local companies when we are able. This will help to grow our county. Another step I would take would be to continue building the sense of ownership and community in our county. When you have a sense of community, you want to take care of the area. Whether you have lived here your whole life or just moved here, this is your home and we should all work together to make it the best it can be.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

If given a million dollar grant to use towards our county, I would seek to use the money to improve the lives of all living here. As mentioned previously, I seek to grow our county through businesses and industries. I would look at how some of this money could be used to promote growth. Safety is another issue I would look at. Safe roads are always a priority, but it is not the only aspect. Specifically in my district, I would use some of the money to upgrade the community parks and add features to help those using them feel safe. I also want to ensure that our workers

have the tools needed to do their jobs effectively. For example, our 911 dispatchers are often our first line of defense. I want to make sure they and other county workers have everything they need to do the job to the best of their ability. With this job, I would be responsible to look out for my neighbors and friends, and I believe these are small ways to do so.

Byron Ladner (R) did not respond to this forum.

Timothy P. Stinson, Jr. (L) did not respond to this forum.

SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3 CANDIDATES

Shea Michael Ladner (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I hold a B.S. in Industrial Engineering Technology from (USM), an A.S. in Drafting Design Technology (PRCC), and globally recognized professional certifications in Project Management including ITILv4 and SAFe Agilist for Information Technology and Project/Process Improvement. My professional and academic background are ideal skill sets necessary to move Hancock County forward and into a new era of business acumen, 21st century technological enhancements, and S.M.A.R.T Growth which is: (Specific. Measurable. Attainable. Relevant. Time Bound). My four major initiatives are to Grow our Industrial Complexes, Create a Push Information System, Explore implementing professional Grant Writ-

ing Services, and Become the epicenter of vocational/trade training in the U.S.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I currently live in Diamondhead, MS since 2007 when bumper stickers were required for occupant vehicles. My wife and I chose Diamondhead as a higher ground following Hurricane Katrina via Bay St. Louis, MS. We found Diamondhead to be a strategic location for quick access to all parts of Hancock County for work, family, friends, and leisurely collaboration. The Diamondhead Community continues to have a sound economic vibe and is an excellent place to rest one's head in the comfort of a manicured and well secured environment. After all, it's the little Hawaii of the south.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

The evidence says that Storm Water Management is the biggest issue facing Hancock County. The cost to mitigate entirely is projected to be around \$100 million. Professionally published solutions already exist. We don't have to come up with a new comprehensive plan, we just need the right leadership to look beyond the blinders and discover places like Malaysia (East Asia) have an 800 page-49-chapter manual on this same topic. Different continent, same problems. The research says we introduce new methods for hydrological intervention such as adopting catch and release systems (control

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quantity and quality) versus the common conveyance system (quantity out as fast as possible).

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

Feels like Home all the time!

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

A part of my four major initiatives is to give our children's children a future here in Hancock County where they can make a decent living without having to relocate abroad. This can be accomplished by leveraging future development at our three major industrial complexes (Port Bienville, Stennis Space Center, and Stennis Air Park). This will take a leader with a Vision who understands that we first need to improve our overall facade at our major corridors, attract high-star hotels, and then market industrial giants to invest in our community.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

I would immediately go to work on my four major initiatives (www.voteforshea.org). First, we further develop our major industrial complexes in close coordination with our Port Authority and create more business revenue. Second, we explore the option of utilizing professional grant writing services and add another source to our revenue stream. Third, we move Hancock County into the number one vocational/trade training epicenter in the U.S.A. All

these initiatives will offer our community an opportunity for the future and bring additional revenue into the County along with high paying jobs, so our children don't have to move away.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would create an interim appropriations committee to allocate the funds to our first responders, including volunteers, to ensure they are equipped with current technology, logistical support systems, and infrastructure. The basis for "as needed funding" would center around the current weaknesses in our response times and locations for emergency medical services.

Charles "Chuck" Clark (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

I graduated from Trinity Christian Academy in Waveland in 1985. I began working full time for Delchamps Markets where I moved up into a managerial position. While working full time, I obtained a degree in landscaping and horticulture. I used this degree to start my own landscaping business which I ran successfully for 15+ years until Katrina hit our Coast. I returned to the grocery business and currently serve as the store director of Rouse's in Diamondhead. In addition, I am serving in my third year as Ward 4 city councilman.

While my background gives me a set of skills to serve as a supervisor, I'll highlight just a few. As a store director and city council member, I am responsible

for budgeting and operations oversight. I address areas on a daily basis from community needs to infrastructure of a city. I collaborate and work well with others whether it be a customer, employee, or elected government official. As an elected official, I have learned how a government agency works and will bring that knowledge to the county level. I spend my days advocating for others and I'm always striving to make the best decisions that impact quality of life for residents.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

As the son of a preacher, I spent my early years moving around to different areas. In 1976, our family moved to Waveland and from that point forward Hancock county became home. While I have lived in many areas of Hancock county, I have considered Diamondhead home since 1986. My children grew up in Diamondhead and now four of my five grandchildren are being raised here. In addition to family, church, community, work, and safety, Diamondhead provides excellent schools as well as many activities in our area. I'm proud to call Diamondhead and Hancock county home.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Having spoken with residents all over the county the biggest issue brought up to me was our infrastructure: roads and drainage. I have spoken with several engineers and they have plans that once enacted should re-

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SAMPLE Official Election Ballot
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY
Republican August 8, 2023 Primary Election
Tuesday, August 8, 2023

TO VOTE: YOU MUST DARKEN THE OVAL (●) COMPLETELY USING A BLACK OR BLUE PEN.
Do not use a red pen, felt tip pen or any type of pencil.
Do not cross out or erase - If you make a mistake, you may request a new ballot.

For State Of Mississippi Governor Vote for ONE ☐ David Grady Hardigree ☐ Tato Reeves ☐ John Wicher ☐ Write-In	For State Of Mississippi Commissioner Of Agriculture & Commerce Vote for ONE ☐ Andy Gipson ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi Lieutenant Governor Vote for ONE ☐ Delbert Hosemann ☐ Tiffany Longino ☐ Chris McDaniel ☐ Write-In	For State Of Mississippi Commissioner Of Insurance Vote for ONE ☐ Mike Chaney ☐ Mitch Young ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi Secretary Of State Vote for ONE ☐ Michael Watson ☐ Write-In	For State Of Mississippi State Auditor Vote for ONE ☐ Shad White ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi Attorney General Vote for ONE ☐ Lynn Fitch ☐ Write-In	For Public Service Commissioner Southern District Vote for ONE ☐ Nelson Wayne Carr ☐ Dane Maxwell ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi State Treasurer Vote for ONE ☐ David McRae ☐ Write-In	For Transportation Commissioner Southern District Vote for ONE ☐ Charles Busby ☐ Write-In

TURN BALLOT OVER TO CONTINUE VOTING

SAMPLE Official Election Ballot
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
HANCOCK COUNTY
Democratic August 8, 2023 Primary Election
Tuesday, August 8, 2023

TO VOTE: YOU MUST DARKEN THE OVAL (●) COMPLETELY USING A BLACK OR BLUE PEN.
Do not use a red pen, felt tip pen or any type of pencil.
Do not cross out or erase - If you make a mistake, you may request a new ballot.

For State Of Mississippi Governor Vote for ONE ☐ Brandon Presley ☐ Write-In	For State Of Mississippi State Treasurer Vote for ONE ☐ Addie L. Green ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi Lieutenant Governor Vote for ONE ☐ D. Ryan Grover ☐ Write-In	For State Of Mississippi Commissioner Of Agriculture & Commerce Vote for ONE ☐ Robert 'Brad' Bradford Sr. ☐ Bethany Hill ☐ Terry Rogers II ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi Secretary Of State Vote for ONE ☐ Shuwaski A. Young ☐ Write-In	For State Of Mississippi Commissioner Of Insurance Vote for ONE ☐ Bruce Burton ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi Attorney General Vote for ONE ☐ Greta Kemp Martin ☐ Write-In	For Hancock Chancery Clerk Vote for ONE ☐ Henry Ward ☐ Write-In
For State Of Mississippi State Auditor Vote for ONE ☐ Larry Bradford ☐ Write-In	For Supervisor District 1 Supervisor District 1 Vote for ONE ☐ Cody W. Shiyou ☐ Write-In

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solve these issues. A major priority for me is to see these solutions put in place in a timely manner.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

What I like most are the people of Hancock County. I love the hospitality that we show towards our neighbors and the visitors to the area. I love that we can come together as a community and help others in times of need, whether it be a disaster or the loss of a community member. We are a very generous, giving community. We are always there for each other. I like knowing that each day I'm surrounded by like-minded people making our county the best place to live.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Citizens throughout the county have shared their concerns about the use of illegal drugs in their neighborhoods. Our sheriff, police chiefs, law officers, and court systems work tirelessly to address this issue. There have been programs implemented through youth court, the sheriff's office, and other agencies the past few years. I'm realistic enough to know drugs aren't going away but let's continue working together to keep our county safe and our kids drug free.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

1) Spending oversight. I would ensure the allocated funds are spent properly and

needed projects are accomplished at or under budget.

2) Bring in new businesses. I would work to offer tax incentives for businesses to invest in our county. I would work with the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce and the Hancock County Port and Harbor to encourage new business growth in the county.

3) I would see that time is dedicated for State and Federal Grant applications. Many of the grants for funding that counties and cities can apply for goes unused every year. These funds could provide for civic and community projects to improve our county. I would coordinate these efforts with our state and federal elected representatives.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

I would want to ensure critical areas of infrastructure were addressed first and foremost. As a dream, I'd like to see a facility built for a drug education program for our youth, mental health counseling, and a drug rehabilitation program. Our residents should not have to leave our county to get help in these areas. These actions would address major issues that have been presented to me by community members. I believe use of these funds in this manner would greatly benefit our county.

**SUPERVISOR
DISTRICT 4
CANDIDATES**

Scotty Adam (R) did not send in responses to this forum.

Louis Jimmy Necaise Jr. (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

High school diploma, I worked for an offshore oil company where one of my duties was setting the yearly budget for maintenance and insured the rig worked within that budget

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in the Garden Isle subdivision I love the quietness and love being on the water

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

The eye sore of rundown apartments in Waveland on Hwy. 90 and the road and drainage problem mainly in the newly annexed area of Waveland and Bay St. Louis. Talk to the city officials about the issues

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The friendly people and the advantage of city and country life

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

For all areas of Hancock county to be treated equally

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Stop wasteful spending
Spend money on repairs that is more critical
Spend grant money wisely

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would

you do with it and why?

Put in a few more parks and splash pads for the kids. There is only one park in the newly annexed area and other parts of the newly annexed area have none.

**SUPERVISOR
DISTRICT 5
CANDIDATES**

Darrin "Bo" Ladner (R) is running unopposed and did not participate in this forum.

**TAX ASSESSOR/
COLLECTOR
CANDIDATES**

Jimmie Ladner, Jr. (R) is running unopposed and did not participate in this forum.

**DISTRICT
ATTORNEY DISTRICT
TWO CANDIDATES**

W. Crosby Parker (R) is running unopposed in the primary and did not participate in this forum.

**STATE SENATE
DISTRICT 46
CANDIDATES**

Philman A. Ladner (R) did not respond to this forum.

Philip Moran (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

Lifelong resident of Hancock County. Graduate of MSU. Owner of Business on the Gulf Coast for over 40

years. Served 12 years in the MS State Senate serving as Chairman and Leadership team capacity. I will continue to use all of these assets to continue to move district 46 forward.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I live in Kiln on our family farm of over 100 years.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Opening up our Corridor by Highway 90 and 603 for growth and expansion of the business district to bring in more industry which will create more jobs.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The great variety of people in Hancock County and it still has the small town feel.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

Get more citizens to take advantage of career tech and higher education to make our workforce even more desirable for future industry grown looking to relocate to Hancock County.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

Bring in New Industry, Develop more places to live, and create more jobs for our citizens.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Develop more community centers that can be utilized

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by all our citizens.

STATE SENATE DISTRICT 48 CANDIDATES

Mike Thompson (R) is running unopposed in the primary and did not participate in this forum.

STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 48 CANDIDATES

Timmy Ladner (R) is running unopposed in the primary and did not participate in this forum.

STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 95 CANDIDATES

John M. Barnes (R) did not respond to this forum.

Jay McKnight (R) did not respond to this forum.

STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DISTRICT 95 CANDIDATES

Brent David Anderson (R) declined to participate in this forum.

Micah Tinkler (R)

1. What is your educational/professional background and how would you apply that to your office on behalf of the people of Hancock County?

An exemplary educational background in marine and environmental sciences, 16 years of Department of Defense overseas service and 9 years of brokering deals to put food on the table give me a unique and powerful skill stack to serve Hancock

County residents as their Representative in Jackson.

I have mastered scientific research, data analysis, systems design, testing and troubleshooting, marketing, psychology, persuasion, and negotiation. These skills make me a kind, professional and effective Negotiator, and Advocate for Hancock County.

2. What neighborhood do you live in and why?

I have lived in Waveland for 20 years and Waveland Highlands subdivision, for 16 years. This home fits me as Katrina demolished my first home. I was hopeful for Hancock County's recovery, but I feel disappointed by the lack of progress and failure by our Representatives to shield Hancock County from future losses. Waveland offers little in terms of entertainment, culture, or business and we suffer the same high risks every year.

3. What do you think the number one issue Hancock County is facing right now and what would you do to resolve it?

Hancock County Flood Insurance is **TRIPLING** and will soon directly cost citizens \$12.5M annually. Hancock, Harrison, and Jackson counties combined flood insurance costs are skyrocketing to \$53.5M/year for Flood Insurance **ONLY**. In the next 18 years, the Coast will spend \$1B in flood insurance to enjoy the same risk we had in 2005. Louisiana spent \$14.5B on levees and pumps to protect their citizens. Mississippi has done Nothing. Our government is 18 years overdue with tasking MEMA or Gulf Regional Planning Commission (GRPC) or South Mississippi Planning and Development

District (SMPDD) to develop, validate and implement a Coast Flood Reduction Plan and we must broker a deal with Louisiana on the Lake Pontchartrain Flood Barrier to protect their homes and ours from hurricane flood damage.

4. What is the one thing you like the most about life in Hancock County?

The kind citizens willing to reach higher for a brilliant future in Mississippi.

5. If you could change one thing about Hancock County, what would it be?

The Stennis Easement impedes development of the high ground in West Hancock County. Hurricane evacuation and travel between South Hancock County and Picayune is blocked by Stennis Space Center security. With the Saturn 5 rocket engines extinct, the Space Shuttle retired, Artemis testing concluded and large portions of NASA working remotely and/or shifting to Huntsville, AL, now is the time to revisit the size and necessity of the Easement Zone and construct a secure bypass or pass-through for Highway 607 traffic.

6. If elected, what three steps would you take to put our county on a firmer financial footing?

1) Closing the Highway 90 bridge to Louisiana until 2028 will kill Pearlington. Louisiana has no skin in the game to complete repairs fast. We do. With guidance and input from the USACE we might broker a deal with Louisiana to establish ferry service or install a pontoon bridge or Improved Ribbon Bridges (IRB) at the closed Pearlington Highway 90

bridges until repairs are complete. As an alternative, it may be possible to reinforce the bridge and introduce a weight or capacity limit to allow limited residential use while repairs are made.

2) Mississippi is 5x the size of Massachusetts with roughly ½ the population. In 2021, Massachusetts earned \$177M from sales on adult marijuana. If Mississippi could get half or even one third that revenue, we should grab the free money, jumpstart our domestic cannabis & hemp production, build healing centers for the addicted, rescue our citizens from fentanyl laced drugs and starve the drug cartels of profit.

3) As national inflation drains our wallets, wise investors have diversified across cryptocurrency, real estate, gold and silver bullion, and other safe havens of value. Mississippi should diversify and establish state accounts of Bitcoin, Ethereum and other cryptocurrencies and accept property and income tax payments in those currencies. A State education campaign to teach citizens, seniors & students how to establish, protect and use digital currency is imperative for our digital future.

7. If you received a \$1 million grant to use for the county any way you wanted, what would you do with it and why?

Online tide data from the Jourdan River gauge gave many Hancock County absentee owners and residents the necessary data to make safety decisions to relocate their elderly, handicapped or bedridden family members. Others used tidal data to decide if or when to move personal belongings and vehicles. Online reporting

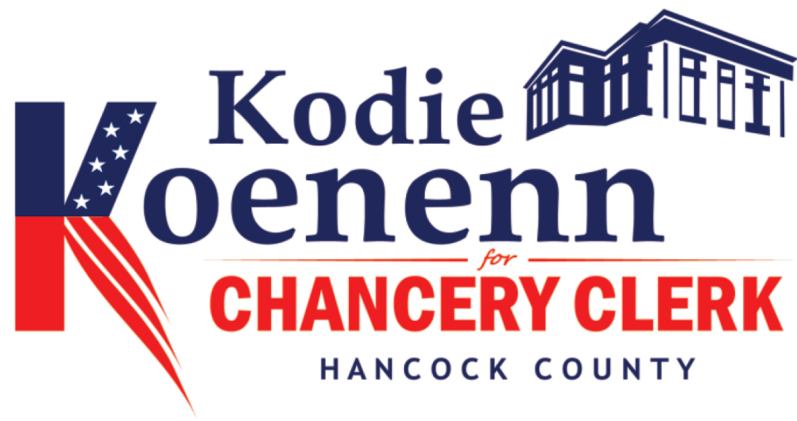
has been suspended by the USGS since October of 2022 at 12:45am without comment from MDOT. It may seem like a small thing; however, funding critical real time Hancock County tide reporting will save lives and property.



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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Supervisor for Hancock County, MS

District 3 Supervisor January 2020 - present
Vice President to the Board

Diamondhead City Councilman

Ward 4 Councilman July 2017 - January 2020

2018 Hancock County Leadership Program Graduate

"Kodie Koenenn has demonstrated the desire and ability to move Hancock County forward into the future and is hereby recognized as a MEMBER of LEADERSHIP Hancock County"

Diamondhead Water & Sewer District

Water and Treatment Plant Operator

Family Trucking & Construction Business

Construction & Project Management, Natural Disasters Relief
Mobilization and Coordination Management, Logistics Supervisor

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Experienced in City and County Government, Policy & Administration, Budget Process & Development for Planning of Capital Improvement Projects
- I can offer the wisdom, compassion and life experiences that are necessary when dealing with personal cases and services
- I have demonstrated leadership, organizational skills, and the ability to work with various government agencies
- Assisted in the development of the Work Ready Mentor Program for High School graduates in Hancock County
- Hancock County Young Professionals Board Member
- Member of Mississippi Rural Water and Operators Association
- State Licensed Class D Certified Water Operator
- State Licensed WW Class 2 Operator
- Certified Lab Technician
- Community Advocate & Volunteer (10+ years)